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ELIJAH HOWE, JR.

THE subject of this sketch¹ was born in that part of Dedham long known as Federal Hill, on September 27, 1828. At the time of his birth his parents lived in the house on Highland Street, now owned and occupied by William H. Ivers; but his father, having bought the land on the opposite corner of Lowder Street, now owned by Charles H. Shriver, afterward built the house now standing there. In 1829 the family moved into the new house, and there Elijah, Jr., spent his early years, and there, too, his father lived until his death on November 30, 1880.

Elijah Howe, Sr., was born on October 21, 1792, and married first on March 26, 1826, Prudence, daughter of Major Jacob and Prudence (Stow) Clark,² who died on May 9, 1832; and secondly on November 18, 1834, Julia Ann, daughter of Moses and Mehitable (Holmes) Gay, who died on December 12, 1880. He was a carpenter and cabinet maker, and learned his trade in Dorchester. After working a year or more at Homesburg, near Philadelphia, he returned to his native town, where he continued in his trade and was noted for his skill in workmanship. Of industrious, frugal habits, of cheerful disposition and strong convictions, he was highly respected by all who knew him.

¹The writer is indebted to Dr. Oliver H. Howe, of Cohasset, a son, and to Rev. Joseph B. Seabury, of Dedham, for the facts given in this paper. Several quotations are made from Mr. Seabury's obituary notice which appeared in the Dedham Transcript for May 24, 1898.

²Mr. Clark was a millwright, and manufactured water wheels. He was in partnership with Deacon Edward B. Holmes, under the name of Clark and Holmes, on Federal Hill. Mr. Clark lived in the house now occupied by Mrs. George F. Wight, and Deacon Holmes owned the place now Mr. Weld's.

Among Mr. Howe's ancestors were Major-General Humphrey Atherton, of Roxbury, of fame in Colonial times, and four, Timothy Stow, Thomas How, Ebenezer Battle, and Elijah Withington, Senior, who served in the Revolutionary War. The following is the ancestral Howe line:—

1. ABRAHAM, b. probably in England, date not known ; d. at Boston between May 26 and Oct. 23, 1676 ; made free-man, at Roxbury, May 2, 1638. His wife d. at Roxbury, Nov. 7, 1645. They were members of Rev. John Eliot's Church in Roxbury. In 1645 he was one of the signers of a covenant to found a "free school in the town of Roxbury." This school has had a continuous existence ever since, and is now known as the Roxbury Latin School.
2. ISAAC, b. at Roxbury, June 24, 1639 ; m. Hannah [], who d. at Dorchester, Dec. 20, 1728. He d. at Dorchester, Sept. 15, 1714.
3. ISAAC, b. at Dorchester, July 7, 1678 ; m. Nov. 26, 1702, Submit, dau. of Thomas and Thankful (Atherton) Bird ; d. there Aug. 26, 1760. She was b. there May 13, 1678 ; d. there Oct. 2, 1760.
4. THOMAS, b. Oct. 12, 1709 ; m. Nov. 22, 1733, Sarah, dau. of Jabez and Thankful (Topliff) Searle ; d. between 1783 and 1785. She was bapt. June 17, 1711 ; d. at Dedham, Feb. 18, 1795.
5. THOMAS, b. Aug. 24, 1735 ; m. March 17, 1763, Hannah, dau. of Consider and Margaret (Dolbeare) Leeds of Dorchester ; d. at Canton, March 23, 1816. She was b. at Dorchester, March 17, 1741 ; d. at Dedham, Nov. 27, 1807.
6. THOMAS, b. at Dedham, July 7, 1765 ; m. Aug. 30, 1789, Hannah, dau. of Elijah and Mary (Allen) Withington ; d. there Dec. 22, 1805. She was b. at Dorchester, June 2, 1767 ; m. 2dly, Sept. 11, 1808, Gen. Nathan Crane, of Canton ; d. at Canton, May 5, 1848.
7. ELIJAH, b. Oct. 21, 1792, the father of the subject of this paper.

Elijah Howe, Jr., received his early education in the schools of the town, beginning his preparation for college in the school on Westfield Street, in which Rev. Ebenezer Burgess, D. D., took a special interest, and which was later known as the Burgess School. During several years at this period Dr. Burgess paid for the services of a college graduate through the five or six months of the winter school, when the higher branches were taught; Latin, Greek, Mathematics and such as were required for admission to college. Thus the pupils of this school received perhaps an equivalent of an academy course.

Among them may be mentioned Edward L. Holmes, now a leading physician in Chicago, Timothy Stow, late a minister in New Bedford, Ebenezer G., Edward P., Miriam M., and Martha C. Burgess, children of Dr. Burgess, Joanna Dana, afterward Mrs. Mills, who wrote a book of poems, Nathaniel Smith, and Mary Phillips (who afterward married Mr. Smith), George Colburn, and Caleb Atherton. All who attended this school were particularly earnest and eager in their desire for knowledge.

William Bates, a graduate of Middlebury College in 1837, taught there in 1841-2; Edward Rogers, Dartmouth College, 1842, taught in 1842-3; and Frederic Augustus Pratt, Yale Collège, 1840, taught in 1843-4. During these three years Mr. Howe faithfully attended the school. He walked daily the distance of nearly three miles, most of the way through the woods and across lots, and even "the cold and snow of winter did not deter him."

He completed his preparation for college at Phillips Andover Academy during the winter of 1844-5, and in the fall of 1845 entered Amherst College "with a better fit than the average student of his class. He was a good scholar, especially quick in acquiring the classics. Among his classmates were Julius H. Seelye, afterward president of the college, and Edward Hitchcock, now professor of hygiene in that institution," also Augustus H. Buck,

Professor of Greek in Boston University, and Rev. Calvin S. Locke of Westwood. After graduation in 1849, he taught in the following schools: High School at South Hadley, one year; High School at East Douglas, two years; and the Academy at South Wilbraham, one year. "He was in the Andover Theological Seminary in 1852-3, pursuing his studies for the Christian ministry, but his health was not equal to the demands of that profession."

He then returned to Dedham and gave his attention to business pursuits, and in "the year 1854 he became book-keeper of the Shoe and Leather [National] Bank, of Boston." While in this occupation he was married on January 4, 1857, to Miss Julia Ann, daughter of Oliver and Persis Gibson (Forbush) Hunt, of East Douglas. Mr. Howe early began to take a deep interest in the public affairs of the town. He became a member of the First Congregational Church, and ever after continued active in its support, serving at different times as "its treasurer, clerk, a Sabbath School teacher, and a Deacon," and "for a number of years moderator of the Allin Evangelical Society connected with that church. He was one of its financial supporters, a brother honored and beloved, a counsellor."

His interest in the Dedham Historical Society began with its formation in February, 1859, and at the second meeting on the 15th of that month he was chosen a member. During his long membership, his presence at the meetings, and the active part he occasionally took in the discussion, made him a valued associate. In the years 1886 to 1888 he served as a Curator, and he thus was one of the Building Committee during these two years while the new building was being erected.

In 1864, he became agent in New England of Park Bro. & Co., Black Diamond Steel Works, Pittsburg, Penn., and continued in their employ twelve years, having his headquarters in Boston. He travelled extensively for the

firm, visiting machine shops, and all manufactories where steel was used. This company, through his agency, furnished all the steel used for drills in the Hoosac Tunnel. He gained a wide and valuable acquaintance with the manufacturing interests in this section of the country. On February 1, 1880, he was chosen secretary of the Norfolk Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and of the Dedham Mutual Fire Insurance Company, both having their office at Dedham; and on January 1, 1885, he was made Treasurer of the former company; which positions he held until his death. His previous experience in book-keeping and business especially qualified him for his work, as was shown by his accuracy in all details, and his wise judgment in managing the affairs of the companies. In 1877 he was chosen a Trustee of the Dedham Institution for Savings, which position he also held until his death.

Of Mr. Howe's family, one son, Francis Elijah, was born on August 3, 1864, and died on October 5, 1865. Oliver Hunt, born May 29, 1860, a graduate of the Medical School of Harvard University in 1886, after serving as house surgeon and assistant to the superintendent at the Boston City Hospital, settled as a physician at Cohasset, in 1887; was married on November 26, 1889, to Martha Dresser Paul, daughter of Ebenezer and Susan (Dresser) Paul, of Dedham; children, Paul, born February 3, 1893, and Julian Cheever, born October 24, 1895. He has identified himself with the public affairs of the town, and has won an excellent practice. Walter Clarke, born June 21, 1872, a graduate of Amherst College in the class of 1894, and of the Harvard Medical School in 1898, is house surgeon at the Children's Hospital, Boston.

"Mr. Howe's long residence in this town had made him one of her best known citizens. His familiar face on the street will be missed by old and young alike. He was a man of simple tastes, of unostentatious habits, of conservative temper. He hated sham and pretence. He

loved peace; controversy was uncongenial to him. He was a man of scrupulous integrity, of clean-cut and independent personality. His opinions were his own, born of his own quick, decisive thinking, expressed in concise and transparent language. As a man of business he was exact, thorough, laborious. His fidelity to trusts imposed upon him was absorbing. His ready wit and genial spirit made him many friends. He loved his friends, and was true to them in storm and in sunshine. His keen, quick insight made him an invaluable member of the corporations with which he was connected. His convictions were deep and stable, commanding attention and respect. Mr. Howe was domestic in his tastes. He loved his home, and sought above all else the happiness of those who composed it. He was a devoted husband and father, a man of ready sympathies and deep feelings."

SKETCH OF ELEAZAR SMITH, THE INVENTOR.¹

BY W. S. TILDEN.

MEDFIELD has the honor of being the birthplace of one of the leading inventors of his time. Machinery and mechanical contrivances originated by him are in use to this day, and have been of greatest service in manufacturing processes. Like other geniuses he was a man of marked peculiarities, especially in his later years, at the time when those now living remember him. Like others, too, his efforts were appropriated by designing persons, so that he derived very little personal benefit from them.

Eleazar Smith was born in 1755, at the place on the Walpole road (now called High Street) at present owned and occupied by Mr. Hugh Gunnison. The house in which he was born was removed some half century ago,

¹ From the collections of the Medfield Historical Society.

but stood on the site of the present dwelling. Eleazar was the eldest of eleven children, and was the great-grandson of that Samuel Smith who was left for dead by the Indians, while an infant, at the burning of the town.

His advantages for education in early life were very limited, being only such as the common district school at the south part of the town could furnish in those days. But he was a great reader and had an excellent memory; so that he became well versed in Astronomy, Chemistry, Botany, and Mechanics. As showing that the lack of early advantages is not an insuperable barrier, it is interesting to remember that Miss Hannah Adams, Rev. Pitt Clark, and Eleazar Smith were all born within a radius of half a mile, and within a period of eight years.

When a boy he gave proof of his special love for machinery, by constructing many ingenious things. His father had no confidence in his bent of mind and forbade his following it; so he had to steal time and work secretly—often evenings by firelight. When he was fifteen he made a watch that would go and keep time, making the case out of a white oak knot. He had no tools except a penknife, a three cornered file, and a pair of compasses. This watch he presented to Dr. Wight, of Medway, who was so much pleased that he assisted him to procure tools for watch and clock making. Many of his clocks, made at this time, were in use about here; one of them is said to have been still running a few years since in Walpole. While yet a boy, he is said to have made a gun, complete, which he afterwards carried on training days; he also invented a spring-trap for catching rabbits which was considerably used.

He was one of the Revolutionary soldiers from Medfield, and while at Saratoga repaired a watch for one of the soldiers with his penknife. This exhibition of skill nearly brought him into trouble, as he was thought capable of whittling out the counterfeit money that was then

circulated about camp. His machine for making pins was constructed in early life, as well as other contrivances that have since been of great value.

He married at the age of thirty-eight, and settled just outside the limits of his native town, in the northerly part of Walpole, where he spent the remainder of his life. He procured a frugal subsistence by working a small farm, and by day-labor for other farmers in the neighborhood. But all spare time and means were devoted to obtaining materials and working out the plans of machinery which filled his mind. He had great power to think out, in all its details, a complicated piece of mechanism before commencing it in tangible form. We have heard it said, by those who well remembered him, that while calling on neighbors he would sit before the fireside, his head bowed in his hands, without speaking, for hours.

He constructed some useful machines for straw working as it was then carried on; one was for pressing the braid by passing it through rollers instead of under a flat-iron as formerly, and measuring it also as it passed through. Another was for "trimming" straw braid, that is, taking off the ends left by joinings, which before had been done by hand. His attempt to make a straw-braiding machine was discontinued, owing to the difficulty of "joining on" in which the badly colored straws were to be rejected, and that no machine could do. His machine for pressing bonnets was used for some years, and was perhaps the parent of the more elaborate contrivances of the present day.

Besides his pin-machine, he invented one for making combs; also one for making and heading common tacks, from which grew the apparatus for making cut nails, a most useful contrivance, and one capable of a multitude of varied applications. In all this work his tools were few and of the simplest description; what he produced was hand-made, which, of course, required long and ardu-

ous toil. But for thoroughness of construction he was not to be exceeded, and he became a very skilful hand worker.

From some of these inventions he received a small compensation, which might have been much increased had it not been for his childlike confidence in everybody which led him to describe his plans in full to persons who were ready to appropriate them for their own benefit. Others thus reaped the benefits of his toil and study. His friends used to say to him, "What do you tell everybody about it for? They will steal it away from you." "O," he said, "they *wouldn't* do such a thing as that." But he was looked upon as an authority in his specialty, mechanics and business men visiting him often for advice. On one occasion Earle Brothers, of Worcester, wanted one of his machines very much. At this time his wife was a bed-ridden invalid; and in order to gain time for the inventor to get forward with his work, one of the firm came to his house and stayed till the machine was finished, serving as assistant, housemaid, and nurse.

But the greatest of all his machines was that for setting card teeth. This has been characterised as one of the most ingenious contrivances yet devised. The wire is taken from a reel, cut into lengths, bent in U form, holes punched in the leather, the bent wire passed through, and then bent into the proper form on the other side. He had studied and worked a long time to get where the wire was passed through the leather, and only the final process remained. While he had been at work on the earlier steps, a traveller occasionally called at his shop and carelessly talked with him as he was working. When it came to the final stage, Smith unsuspectingly told him all his plan. He had been so completely absorbed in it as to spend whole days and nights in his shop, scarcely allowing himself time to eat. Ridiculed by his neighbors, who thought the project visionary, he

would say, "I know it can be done, for I can see right through it, and just how every part will move."

The stranger who had casually called at his shop, was, it appears, a mechanic in disguise; who, with others, were planning to rob him of his well-earned success. And so, after learning the whole secret from this too-confiding man, a similar machine was made, and before the inventor could finish his, a patent was obtained, and treachery succeeded in getting the emoluments that should have been his. He set about defending his rights; but as he was without means, and having no friends who were able or willing to give pecuniary assistance, he was obliged to give it all up.

From this overwhelming disappointment he never fully recovered. He did not appear the same afterwards. The benefits which he had expected after years of uncomplaining toil and poverty were wrested from him by persons whom he supposed his friends,—men of wealth and position, "while he was left to suffer the stings of penury, uncared for, and unnoticed."

Eleazar Smith was without doubt eccentric from early life, as might be expected in one whose thoughts were so rigidly fixed in a single direction; and with the weight of years, clouded by the blighting of his hopes and prospects, his eccentricity came to be very like insanity at times. Sayings and doings of his which have been passed along down to us could have sprung only from deranged or failing faculties. One manifestation of this was in writing doggerel verses on every little event in neighborhood happenings. Another was, (he having been many years a widower) in fancying all the young women as desirous of marrying him. Strangely enough, along with these traits was a fondness for the theological discussions of the day, which he would carry on with great persistency.

In his last days he lived entirely alone, his surviving children being widely scattered. His death in 1836 was caused by a lingering and painful affection—cancer of the face. He was buried in the rural cemetery in Walpole, near Stetson's card-clothing factory, where so many of his machines have been used. For many years his burial place was unmarked, and its locality known to but few. It is said that there was a movement, about 1854, among manufacturers in this country and in England to place a suitable monument over his grave. This came to nothing, however; but a plain headstone was erected a few years ago by two ladies belonging to the Stetson family.

The machines now used by Mr. Stetson are Eleazar Smith's in the inception,—his was the idea,—though they have been much modified and improved, especially in the matter of speed. Smith's machine set a hundred teeth in a minute. The modern ones five times as many.

The life of this man presents a case of genius working against every obstacle; the results benefit the world even to succeeding generations, though he derived little or no pecuniary benefit himself. He was much too simple-hearted for the selfish, grasping characters that confronted him. Had there been any one with business capacity to help him on, he might have spent his declining days in comfort or even in affluence, instead of enduring the poverty of unrequited efforts, mitigated only at the last by the public charity of the town of Walpole.

THE SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS OF DEDHAM.

BY CARLOS SLAFTER.

(Continued from Vol. IX., page 110.)

Miss Mary Catherine Hoffman, a native of Baltimore, Md., came to Dedham about the year 1840 and established a private school which occupied rooms in the house of Jonathan H. Cobb,

Esq., in whose family she lived. She was a brilliant and energetic young lady, and as a teacher highly efficient, especially in shaping the manners, tastes and habits of her pupils. After several years of marked success in Dedham, she opened a school in Boston. There she soon formed the acquaintance of a young Brazilian of good family, Joaquim Barbosa Cordeiro, who had come to Boston to pursue his medical studies. When he had completed his course in 1854 they were married and went to reside in Ceara, on the Northern coast of Brazil. In 1862 the husband died, and Mrs. Cordeiro returned to Massachusetts, desiring that her three children, a son and two daughters, should receive an education in New England. This she secured by the careful husbandry of her somewhat limited means, giving her son, Frederic Joaquim Barbosa, a collegiate and medical education at Harvard College, A. B., 1881, M. D., 1884, which secured him a position as surgeon in the U. S. Navy. Mrs. Cordeiro, after her return, resided first in Roxbury, then for a time in Dedham, but later in Florida. From there she returned in broken health to Dedham, where she died August 1, 1891, aged 66 years and two months, and was buried by the side of her daughters in the Brookdale Cemetery.

Of the many private schools of Dedham the one of longest continuance was taught by Miss Emily Charlotte Hodges, who began her labors as an assistant to Miss Hoffman in 1843, and soon after became sole manager of the school, and continued it successfully till 1871. She enjoyed the patronage of many families, and gave her pupils an excellent training for more advanced studies. She is a native of Dedham, the daughter of Charles and Mary Taylor (Farrington) Hodges, and now resides in Boston. Many persons in Dedham have a grateful remembrance of their schooldays under her faithful and judicious care.

About the first of May, 1845, John Wilson was appointed master of the Mill School, a letter of recommendation from Theodore Parker helping him to the position. He was a very quiet, accurate, patient, conscientious and effective teacher. In

1848 he was promoted to the First Middle School, and there remained till 1857. He then resigned for a position in Watertown, which he held till 1861, when he was placed at the head of the Prescott School in Somerville, and taught there till 1883. He was the son of Samuel G. and Margaret (McFarland) Wilson, born in Edgecomb, Maine, in 1810. He prepared himself for his special work in a Teachers' Seminary, and at the age of nineteen began to apply his ability in the district schools about Edgecomb, and afterwards in Canterbury, N. H. Before coming to Dedham, he had taught in Brookline and Roxbury, and in 1836 had married Mary Hooper Smith of Roxbury. About 1890 Mr. Wilson removed from Somerville to reside with his youngest daughter, Mrs. Grace Wilson Peebles, at Storrs, Conn., where he died Nov. 29, 1895, having been a teacher fifty-four years.

In the winter of 1845-6 the master of the West Dedham School was Julius Carroll of South Walpole. He taught in all fourteen winter schools, the first in Mansfield, several terms in South Walpole, and a select school in Foxborough. His academic education was obtained under Master Rice in Holliston, and he was justly esteemed a thorough and acceptable teacher. In 1844 he married Ann Eliza Plimpton of Foxborough. Ceasing to be a teacher, he was for several years a book-keeper in the straw works of Foxborough, then removed to Providence, R. I., and was a milliner there about twenty years. He was the son of Joseph and Asenath (Carpenter) Carroll, born in 1820, and died in 1893. He was fond of poetry, and often exercised his talents in composing it for the entertainment or consolation of his friends.

In the summer of 1846 the Westfield School was in charge of Martha Ingraham Cotton, who had graduated at the West Newton (now Framingham) Normal School the September previous. She was the daughter of John and Caroline (Chittenden) Cotton, born in Boston. How much of her life she devoted to teaching, is to me unknown. She died in Boston, April, 1893.

The Walpole Corner School had for its teacher in the summer of 1846, Caroline Buckminster Clarke of Framingham. She is the daughter of Alexander and Mary (Bent) Clark, born Jan. 9, 1823. She was educated chiefly at Framingham Academy; and, before teaching in Dedham, had taught in Westborough two years, and in Framingham, three. On the tenth of June, 1847, she was married to Zebina Gleason, H. U. class of 1834; and of this event and her subsequent life she says: "At the time of marriage I came as a bride to the house (forty-eight years ago next Monday) where 'I still live.' Facts of interest—to none but myself—grow out of a busy life—busy as a wife and mother; yet, finding time to keep up my interest in literary pursuits: reading—writing a little—anxious always to retain all I have learned." The long residence thus pleasantly alluded to has been in Westborough, Massachusetts.

Maria Baker had charge of the primary part of the West Dedham School in 1846. She is the daughter of Obed and Betsey (Metcalf) Baker, born in West Dedham, July 15, 1826. Besides the privileges of the district school, she enjoyed those of a Female Seminary at Charlestown. In 1849, April 22, she was joined in marriage to Augustus P. Stockbridge. Her residence is in Norwood.

In 1846 the grammar department of the West Dedham School was under the care of Eliza Ann Harding of Wrentham, the daughter of Col. Lewis and Irene (Hartshorn) Harding. She was well educated in the public schools and Academy of her native town; and for fifteen years was an assistant teacher in the Dwight and Everett Schools of Boston. Her last residence was in Cambridge, where she died in 1885.

Willard Pratt Plimpton was the teacher for "five successive winter terms, of about five months each, in Walpole Corner, commencing in 1844." This excellent teacher is the son of Willard and Eunice (Pratt) Plimpton of Foxboro, born May 7, 1821, and was educated in the common schools of his native town and in Holliston Academy. He was married to Clarissa Maria Wight of Medfield, Oct. 9, 1851. For about thirty years

he was engaged in the wholesale millinery business in Boston. His residence is in West Newton, where he has held many positions of trust, and at this time (1898) is Assistant Assessor for the city of Newton.

Henry Richardson Plimpton was master of the Second Middle School two winters, 1845-6 and 1846-7. He was a thorough and faithful teacher, and is said to have obtained his position through the influence of his great uncle, James Richardson, Esq., "once a law partner of Fisher Ames." He was the son of Leonard and Sarah Turner (Lane) Plimpton, born in Medfield, Oct. 8, 1820, and, after attending the public schools of that town, studied under the direction of his relative, the Rev. James Richardson, Jr., at East Greenwich, R. I. Later he was a student at Holliston Academy under Master Rice. Then he was a teacher in Wrentham and Walpole. Soon after closing his school in Dedham he engaged with a brother in the "manufacture of machinery and furniture in Westfield; a few years later they removed to Boston, and have been well-known there as manufacturers and dealers in fine furniture. He was a man of large inventive ability; and his various inventions were valuable." Mr. Plimpton joined in 1871 the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, an organization to which his emigrant ancestor, John Plimpton, of Dedham, belonged as early as 1643. He married Mary E. Sacket, Oct. 14, 1856; and died in Walpole, Aug. 24, 1891, leaving one son and one daughter.

(To be continued.)

THE FISHER FAMILY.

BY PHILIP ADSIT FISHER.

(Continued from Vol. IX., page 118.)

89. Dr. JOSHUA, oldest son of Nathaniel (56) and Elizabeth (Clapp) Fisher, was b. in Dedham, May 17, 1748. Graduated at Harvard at the early age of seventeen; then taught school, and in 1770, studied medicine with Dr. Bela Lincoln, of

Hingham. Dr. Fisher begun practice in Ipswich, then removed to Salem, then took up his abode in Beverly, which was his place of residence for sixty or more of the eighty-four years of his life. During a period of the Revolution he was surgeon of a privateer. He rose to the front rank in his profession, and was vice-president of the Massachusetts Medical Society from 1804 to 1815, when he succeeded the elder Warren as president, serving until 1823, when he resigned. He was a member of the State Senate, for many years president of the Beverly Bank, and the founder and president of the Beverly Charitable Society and added largely to its funds. He took a great interest in natural history, and bequeathed to Harvard College the sum of twenty thousand dollars, for a chair of Natural History.

He m. 1st (published June 29, 1776), Abigail, daughter of Daniel and Mary (Rogers) Staniford, of Ipswich, who d. childless. He m. 2dly, at Petersham, Nov. 11, 1807, Anne, widow of Rev. Mr. Bridges, of Framingham. There were no children by this second marriage. She d. in Beverly, June 12, 1829, aged 71; he d. March 15, 1833, aged 84.

90. EBENEZER⁷, second son of Nathaniel (56) and Elizabeth (Clapp) Fisher, was b. in Dedham, April 10, 1751, and d. there, Oct. 12, 1847. He never married; was a prosperous farmer, living in West Dedham. He served in Captain David Fairbank's Company, William McIntosh's Regt., March 4, 1776, marching to Roxbury, being out four days. Was one of the six months' men, enlisting for service in the Continental Army during 1780; marched July 17, 1780, and was discharged Dec. 22, 1780; service of five months and sixteen days. He was selectman in 1785, and Representative, 1801 to 1806.

91. NATHANIEL⁷, third son of Nathaniel (56) and Elizabeth (Clapp) Fisher, was b. in Dedham, May 22, 1753; m. at Dedham, April 13, 1781, Sarah, daughter of William and Sarah (Clapp) Everett, who was b. in Dedham, Dec. 30, 1754, and d. there April 1, 1838, aged 83. He joined the Dedham church, April 30, 1775, and was called "of Clapboardtrees Parish." He d. "Aug. 22, 1810, aged 52." They had:—

BETSA⁸, b. May 7, 1782; m. Tilson Ripley, of Boston, subsequently moved to Charleston, S. C. They had:—
 Nathaniel Fisher Ripley⁹, b. June 19, 1810; Elizabeth Clapp Fisher Ripley⁹, b. Sept. 14, 1814, who m. Thomas Jones, of Charleston, and had, Edward Everett Fisher Jones¹⁰.

92. JOHN⁷, youngest child of Nathaniel (56) and Elizabeth (Clapp) Fisher, was b. in Dedham, July 18, 1760; m. July 10, 1799, Chloe, daughter of Asa and Miriam Smith, of Walpole, who was b. there, Oct. 1, 1771. He was a farmer and res. in West Dedham, where he d. Aug. 17, 1823, She d. March 24, 1856, aged 85. They had:—

JOSHUA⁸, b. Nov. 23, 1800; d. July 9, 1803.

NABBY⁸, b. Nov. 19, 1802; d. Jan. 24, 1824.

JOHN⁸, b. March 20, 1805; d. July 29, 1889; m. Nancy Farrington, June 15, 1828.

JOSHUA⁸, b. May 28, 1807; d. Aug. 27, 1890; m. Eliza W. Furnald, Oct. 9, 1834.

93. TIMOTHY⁷, third child of Timothy (57) and Lydia (Metcalf) Fisher, was b. in Dedham, Jan. 22, 1764; m. in 1789, Abigail, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Palmer) Gibbs, who was b. in Framingham, Dec. 30, 1764. She was admitted to the Dedham church, Sept. 14, 1794; he joined Jan. 6, 1799. He moved subsequently to Newport, N. H., where he lived on the R. P. Claggett farm. He married a second time, and afterwards moved to Grantham, N. H., where he d. Feb. 14, 1840, aged 76. Children, all b. in Dedham, and by first wife, were:—

AMORY⁸, b. Jan. 10, 1791; d. in Henryville or Columbia, Tenn.

[] an infant⁸, b. and d. Sept. 7, 1793.

LEONARD⁸, b. Dec. 10, 1795; m. and had two sons, Dr. Charles⁹ and Willard⁹. Leonard d. Feb. 9, 1868.

JOSEPH PALMER⁸, b. Aug. 2, 1797; d. Nov. 15, 1882; mar.

BETSA GIBBS⁸, b. Sept. 17, 1799; d. Feb. 5, 1831.

ABIGAIL⁸, b. Aug. 11, 1801; d. Oct. 18, 1818.

MARY METCALF⁸, b. Feb. 6, 1803; d. March 15, 1856; m.

[] Cotting; res. in Georgia.

SALLY⁸, b. March 12, 1805 ; m. George B. Pierce, April 23, 1826. [Children in Pierce Genealogy.]

LYDIA⁸, b. Aug. 9, 1807 ; d. in Tuscaloosa, Ala., Aug. 15, 1841 ; m. [] Anderson, and had a son, George B. Anderson⁹.

WILLARD⁸, b. Dec. 17, 1809 ; d. June 11, 1829.

94. AMOS⁷, fourth child of Timothy (57) and Lydia (Met-calf) Fisher, was b. in Dedham, March 23, 1766 ; m. April 21, 1798, Huldah Arms, of Deerfield, who was b. April 28, 1766. He moved to Newport, N. H., where he lived on the A. Wright farm. He d. in Kentucky, in 1844, aged 78. They had :—

GUSTAVUS⁸, b. Feb. 22, 1796.

DANIEL⁸, b. March 15, 1797.

AMOS⁸, b. May 10, 1800.

95. SAMUEL⁷, only son of Samuel (58) and Mary (Chick-ering) Fisher, was b. in Dedham, Jan. 11, 1757 ; m. Feb. 19, 1783, Abigail, daughter of Asa and Berial (Fisher) Mason, who was b. in Medfield, in 1759, and d. in Dover, Sept. 5, 1843, aged 84. He first served as corporal in Robert Smith's company, William Heath's Regt., marching on the 19th of April Alarm from Needham, serving 14 days. His name is also on the rolls as corporal of the same company, Jan. 3, 1776, for 14 days service. He served as captain in Col. Ebenezer Hawes's Regt. in Rhode Island in 1776, 1777, and 1778. Later he took up his residence in Dover, where he d. April 18, 1822, aged 65. They had :—

SAMUEL⁸, b. Dec. 12, 1783 ; H. C., 1810 ; admitted to the Suffolk bar, in September, 1813, and practiced law in Boston ; d. in Dover, May 8, 1826 ; unm.

ABIGAIL⁸, b. Feb. 24, 1785 ; m. Timothy Allen, Jr., June 3, 1807. [Joseph Allen's Allen Gen. pp. 35, 36.]

GEORGE⁸, b. July 1, 1786 ; d. Sept. 23, 1831 ; m. Hannah Smith, of Walpole, Jan. 1, 1811.

ISAAC⁸, b. Feb. 19, 1788 ; d. April 10, 1791.

CHARLES⁸, b. Oct. 25, 1789 ; d. July 19, 1821 ; m. Ruby [].

LUCY⁸, b. Oct. 19, 1791 ; d. Sept. 27, 1793.

MASON⁸, b. Aug. 23, 1793 ; H. C., 1813 ; d. June 24, 1816.

SALLY⁸, b. June 5, 1795 ; d. July 18, 1795.

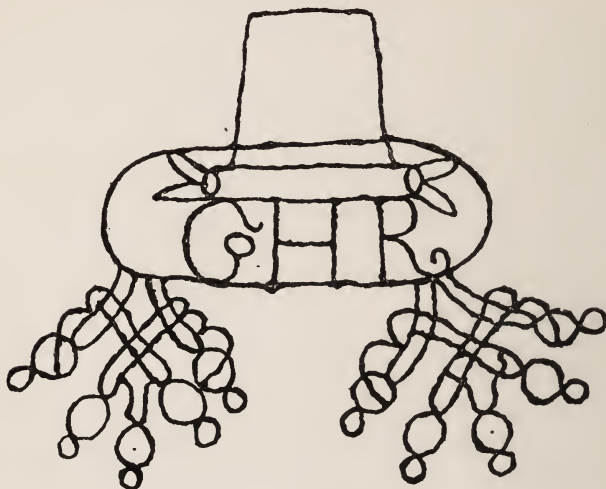
NATHAN MASON⁸, b. March 12, 1799 ; d. May 15, 1834 ;
m. Elizabeth Champney.

(To be continued.)

MANUSCRIPT OF REV. JOSIAH FLYNT, OF BRAINTREE AND DORCHESTER.

THIS book, bound in vellum, was given to the Dedham Historical Society by Miss Dorothy, daughter of Dr. Henry P. Quincy of Dedham, on September 12, 1898. It has passed in order through the following hands: Rev. Henry, son of Rev. Josiah, known as Tutor Flynt; his niece Dorothy, made famous by her great grandson Oliver Wendell Holmes in his poem to "Dorothy Q," — the daughter of Dorothy and Judge Edmund Quincy; Jonathan, son of Dorothy and Edmund Jackson, who gave it on Dec. 29, 1808, to his son-in-law, Rev. Abiel Holmes of Cambridge; Mr. J. K. Wiggin, who bought it at the sale of Dr. Holmes's effects; Walter Lloyd Jeffries, who bought it at the sale of Mr. Wiggin's collection on May 28, 1876; Miss Eliza Susan Quincy, who received it from Mr. Jeffries in 1879; and Miss Dorothy Quincy, first mentioned, who received it in Jan., 1892. For an interesting account of Rev. Josiah Flynt, H. C., Class of 1664, see the valuable work entitled "Harvard Graduates" (II. 150–153, Cambridge, 1881) by the late Mr. John Langdon Sibley. The Latin inscription mentioned on page 24 will be found in the New-England Historical and Genealogical Register (XXXVIII. 156) for April, 1884, in an article on Edmund Quincy and the Quincy family by the late Miss Eliza Susan Quincy. Mention is made of his sickness and death in a letter from Isaac Watts dated June 1, 1738, communicated to the Massachusetts Historical Society by Dr. Samuel A. Green and printed in the Proceedings (2d series XII. 149, 150) for January, 1898.

The volume is folio size and contains fifty leaves, many of which are blank. The handwriting is mostly that of Rev. Josiah Flynt, while several entries are probably in the hand of Tutor Flynt. The paper has an interesting water mark which is here reproduced. The entries are given below:—



Mr Norton 8th 11^m 1653, 15 11^m 53, [and] 22. 11^m 53 [notes of sermons].

Questions given by the Rev^d Mr Samuëll Torrey to be considered in
or Private Conference Meetings [about the baptism of children, the
discipline of "adult children" and their relation to the church].

[Questions about the relation of members to the church.]

Mr Torrey of W to Mr Walley of B P 15 6^m 70.
[About "communion wth Mr Miles & his Society," saying that "Our
churches have noe need of communion wth a Society of Anabaptists,"
and giving his reasons therefor,—not finished.]

On 27. 2^m 1668 It pleased the Ld to take away my honoured Father
Mr Henery flint Teacher of the church of Brantrey

On 7 3 68 persons (D. B. & U. Q.) came to mee to Desire mee from
sevrall of y^e Chh though not from the whole to Exercise in Br Chh

On 10 3^m 68 The Elder came to mee to goe to meeting but went
away before & Made a Proposition to the Chh whither they were willing
I should preach many uncomfortable expressions passed about but at
last Deac: Bass & D El came in the name of the Chh to Desire mee to
come & Preach. to w^{ch} not knowing any th: I yeilded

On 11 3^d The Church set apart a Day to seek y^e Ld by Fasting &
Prayer.

On 13 4 I Preached againe in Br.

On 26 4 The chh passed a vote to Call Mr Woodw: & Me to Probation.

On 14 5 Mr Eliott Mr Thatcher, Mr Stoughton & Mr Torry came being Desired by y^e Chh to give advice About the Vote.

20 5^m The vote of the chh was brought to mee in the Name of the church by Deac: Bass Cap^t Brackett Mr Paine Mr Quinsey Goodm Faxon.

27 5^t The Messengers came to mee againe & Brought the vote wth y^e Eld^{rs} Letter.

23 6 The Eld^{rs} forementioned Sent a Letter to Chh w^{ch} was Read publicly.

6 9 The chh set apart

13 9 The church had a meeting

16 9 The Messengers of the church came for a Determinate answer.

17 9 The Church of Christ at Cambr Village sent Me a call

23 9 Messengers came from Cambr Village for my Answer

26 9 I gave an Answer to N. Towne in writing.

29 I gave my Answer to Br Chh According to the Vote.

13 10. I engaged to help the church wholly for the Winter.

12 12 The church had a meeting.

28 1 1669 Being a Sab: Day the church had a very uncomfortable debate, after a solemne Admonition.

9 2 Deac B: & Goodm: Sheaf came to speak wth mee

11 2 I gave a full Answ^r to y^e Chh at Cambr: Village.

24 2 I gave in Answer to the chh y^t I Desired relief being Oppressed in Body & Mind.

6 3 69. The church had a meeting.

22 3 Many if not most of the church went away to Milton to hear Mr Tho

20 4 Being a Sab: day there was a very uncomfortable debate in y^e church.

18 5 Some of the Brⁿ Desired a time of solemne seeking of God joyntly by Fasting & Pr^r it was Denied

23 5 Some of the church set apart a Day of fasting & Pr This Day y^r was an awfull Division

25 5 God sent a very solemne awakening Message to the church by Mr Eliott fro 6 Jer 29. 30.

The Honoured Major Lusher & R^d Mr Allin [of Dedham] sent Letters to ye Chh to Advise y^m to Unity & Peace certifying the thoughts of some of the Ed^{rs} to send in a Councill uncalled for.

2 6 69 The church had a meeting Disanull'd their last vote & passed a New Vote.

They sent D Bass Mr Q Goodm: Bel: & Faxon to Desire my help constantly. I Deferr'd my Answer Deac: B Mr Paine & Mr Quin: went to carry the vote of the church to Mr B Mr Bulkley. Delayed his Answ: till the Commencement 10. 6 69 & then Desired further time

22 6 Mr Bulkley came to us.

8 7^m 69 The whole Towne Mett to consider w^t they w^d allow

3 9 The church had a meeting

15 9 The church had a meeting. & concluded to Allow 60 pound p^r An to each. & y^e use of y^e Towne land for a Pasture y^e Elder wth y^t greatest part of the church came to certify us of it

16. 11 The church stayed after meeting & Agreed to meet on 6^t Day following.

21 11 The Church mett & Acknowledged severall things scandalous & offensive one to another

7 12 I helped y^e Chh againe wholly for a while

1 1st 70 The Church (moved by M^r Bulkley) set apart a Day for Publique Pr & Fasting.

28 1 The Church had a meeting & Passed an Act of Election for M^r Bulkley & mee D Bass M^r Paine M^r Quin: & Goodm: Belch came as Messengers to us. but said Noth: of y^e Man^r of the vote. for it was not single

On 31. 1 The Messeng^{rs} came to M^r Bulkley & afterw^d to mee. We joyntly Desired time to consid^r

3 2^m 1670 The Church of Deadham writt a Letter & chose Messengers to come & inquire in y^e Chh^s States y^e next S:

10 2^m I Gave my Judgm^t of Not my Answers to the Vote. it being proposed to mee in Generall by y^e Eld^s. Deadh: Mess: Hearing w^t was done by the Church on 28 1^m were prevented coming this Day to us.

20 2 Some of the church (having heard of a writing given by y^r B^m & Accepted by M^r B wch raised a strong Jealousy in y^m y^t they had engaged him to y^{ms}) sent a Mess: Cap^t Br to certify M^r B how the matter stood.

Letters were sent to Deadh: Cambr: Roxb: Weymouth to this Purpose. R^d & Bel^d As wee presume you have not be wholly Ignorant of or void of Sy ma th wth us in or distress,

24 2 M^r Eliott Preached here & Prevented much evill intended

13 3^m The Qu: about the vote was By M^r Bulkley propounded to y^e Elders.

15. 3 M^r Phil helped ye Church & soe Moderated y^r Sp^{ts}.

31 3. The church had a meeting & concluded joyntly to send to Six Churches for y^{eir} Messengers.

On 5 4 The church had Debate wherein much provocation to God & each other did appear. they sent to M^r Bulkly but he resused [*sic*] to come till the meeting of ye Councill was over.

Whereas Samuell Bass Deacon of the chh of Ch^t at Braintree was, in a Publique Assembly there December 9th 1670 By the concurrent Testimony of Divers Brethren presented in writing & Delivered viva voce As alsoe by w^t he hims: did Acknowledge & owne convicted of an Offence given in charging M^r Josiah flint (a worthy Labourer & Probationer in the work of y^e Ministry unto that chh) in an Opprobrious manner wth divers dangerous Heterodoxyes delivered & that w^{thout} caution (as he affirmed) in his publique preaching.

Wee who were then present as being called & requested by Mr flint with the good leave & liking of the chhs in their Assembly to hear & judge of those Doctrines wherein he was soe highly charged with Heterodoxy after a distinct recapitulation & Consideration of the severall particulars both as they were Affirmed & charged by the said Deacon Basse & some other Brethren concurring wth him And alsoe as they were afterward repealed and (according as publicly delivered) more fully declared & Vindicated by Mr Flint hims: wherein he had the abundant Attestation of many more intelligent Brethren some of whome took notes of those Sermons in w^{ch} the afores^d Heterodoxyes were said to be delivered doe soberly declare our Sence & give this Memorial thereof as followeth.

1 That the Doctrines themselves received & Understood according as to us it sufficiently Appeared they were delivered by Mr flint were good sound & wholesome truths.

2 That Deacon Basse wth the rest of the Brethren dissatisfyed either through prejudice inadvertency or some other cause were und^r a very great Misunderstanding in hearing those truths Deliuered w^{ch} wee hope they are sensible of.

3. That the charge as it was made by Deacon Basse wth high reflection upon Mr flint & wth great injury to the truth was justly offensive not a Little Scandalous Dishonourable to God & to the Gospell. w^{eo} he hath cause to be humbled for especially for that he had not only never adressed hims: to Mr flint (as in Duty he ought) for information & Satisfaction in the points excepted against butt alsoe (as to us he did declare) he did not nor had ground to Look upon the aforesaid conceived Heterodoxys to bee Mr flints owne Opinions or judgm^t.

Given at Boston 11th May 1670.

JOHN LEVERETT
EDWARD TYNG
JOHN ELIOTT
WILLIAM STOUGHTON
SAMUEL TORREY

At a Meeting on the 25 of Nov: 1674.

The Eld^s Broth^r Sumner Broth^r Witherington Sen^r & Broth^r W^m Weeks wth Broth^r Danforth at my House After the Hearing of the Case between Goodm Danforth & Robert Stiles

The Bargaine Produced in writing & two witnesses Goodm: Danforth did before us Submitt acknowledge & seal to the truth & Integrity of the Evidence p^rsented to us

And allthough he could not remember things testified as in the Witsesse Yet he did freely Expresse his Jealousy of hims: as to doing of wrong & Injustice in the case And Yielded to Lett Robert have the Land Upon the Bargaine as proved & Evidenced Remitted the Execution in Mr Stoughtons Court & Promised freely to concurre in Laying out the Land & to bare halfe the Charge & in laying out the s^d land so

farre as his land goes The Brethren fore mentioned Promised to Labor wth Robert Stiles to bring him to allow Goodm: Danforth a way to his Land through his Lott

Is. Jones his case Related to the Chh 2^d Aprill 1676.

The ground-worke & Originall of the Case was his offence Specified in the Sentence of the Hon^d Council

At a Council held at Boston y^e 28. of febr^y 1675

Isaack Jones being complayned of for his Contemptuous Carriage to Authority The Court Sentenced him to pay the fine of five pounds wthin tenne Dayes or otherwise the Secretary to issue out his warrant for his imprisonm^t one Week. . . . A Warrant coming from the Hon^d Council to presse some Men Goodman Jones then Constable came to Mr St^r wth his black staffe in one hand & this warrant in the other & said by Vertue of this Warrant I require a Man. . . .

Mr. Henery flint came to N E 2 (12)^m 1635 was ordained Teacher of ye church of Brantree 1640

Coz Henchman Dyed 4 11th 1670 betw 10. & 11 clock being suddainly taken in bed wth a fitt of coughing & shortn: of breath

Sister Newman Dyed 23 9th 78 at my house in Dorchester About 1 of the Clock & was buried the 26 at Brantree According to her Desire

Mr^s Margery Flint, dyed, 10, March 1686-7 about 6 of the Clock in the morning, & was buried the 12th

Thomas Flynt dyed at St Georges Fort in the East Indi[es]

Josiah Flynt was Lost at Sea we know not where or how only that his ship was found a wreck in ye [torn] Anno 1707

Esther Willet born 10th July 1648 taken from an old Bible at Cozen Francis Willets at Narraganset wherein Grandfather Willet set down the births of his Children July 17 [torn]

Mrs Esther Flynt was taken ill July 24th dyed the 26th & was buried the 29th of the same month 1737 at Braintrey in the 90th year of her age having accomplished her 89th year July the 10th 1737.

Dorothy Quincy born May 11 1678 was [torn] Col^l Edm^d Quincy of Brantry Oct. 1700 taken ill Aug. [torn] dyed August 28th was buried Sept 1st 1737 in the 60th year of her age.

B^r Quincy Sailed for England as Agent for the Country about the Line between New Hampshire & this Province Dec^r 20th 1737 arived at Dover Jan 15th was Inoculated with the Small Pox Jan. 30th dyed of it Feb. 23 at about 5 in the morning in the 57 year of his age & dyed a very capable & faithful servt of God & his Country. Bene placitum Dei in omnibus est adorandum.

His Epitaph on a Tomb erected for him in London at the order & Charge of o^r General Court drawn up as is said by M^r Secretary Willard & translated into Latin by M^r Wiswal [Here follows the Latin inscription. See ante, page 19.]

Mary flinte Born 18th 9th 1672 30^m p 1 m Baptized 24 9th P M

Mary flint Dyed 15th 6th 73 a little before Sunrise Buryed 16th 6th P M
 1-2 h. p 3
 Henry flynt or flint Borne 9th 12 73 7 h. n: Baptized 15 12 1673 P M.
 Henry flint Dyed 24 12th about 12 h. or noon Buryed 25 12 1673
 Henry flint 2^d Borne 5 3^d 75 about day-break Baptized 8 3^d
 Josiah flint Borne 5 8th 76 at n: about shutting in of the evening
 Baptized 8th 8th 76.
 Dorothy flint Borne 11 3 78 between 9 & 10 at night Baptized 12 3 78
 Thomas flint borne 11 5th 1680 2h morn

EXTRACTS FROM THE AMES DIARY.

BY EDNA FRANCES CALDER.

(Continued from Vol. IX., page 113.)

1799.

New Post Act March 1799 Rates on Letters & Packets. Single Letter of one sheet of paper, or one piece

	miles	cents
	40 or under	.8
over 40 not exceeding 90		.10
over 90 not exceeding 150		.125
over 150, not exg	300	.17
over 300 not exg	500	.20
more than	500	.25

Double or triple Letters double or triple rates if one ounce w^t 4^{pl} rates & so in proportion for greater weight of packet or other thing, but exceeding 3^{lb} cannot oblige Mail to receive it. And demanding greater Rates of postage incurs forfeiture of 100 ^{dols} Ship Letters charged 6 cents & 2 cents additional if still going further by post

SEPTEMBER.

2. Bissel gone Portsmouth
9. Vermont Fed. troop here L^t Leonard.
10. Bis. traitrous Aristocrat
11. B. gone home
12. Jere' as Collector of Excise on Carriages has 12½ p^r c^t with perquisites, but only charges 6 p^r cent. and when he goes out to collect of delinquents he gains 25 p^r cent. & the whole amounts to several 1000 dols a quarter His gains also of Retailers & post office runs up to more than 1000 dols a year.
21. Gillam Tailor borrowed a Vol. Lond. Mag. bound.
24. C^t Sess. No Lawyer will support a Writ or Action if not filled by a Lawyer.
26. Sess. adj. to 3^d W. Octob. C. P. still sit
27. N. F. non suited late in Even'g. Bee Stop'd
28. Violent contest with Prigs. rec^d 350 T. W. copies
Jem been gone all the Week return'd tonight
30. A small frost the first this fall was this last night of Sept.
Charles Holt Editor of the Bee at N London about last of this month seiz'd carried to Hartford out of his own County before a strange tribunal to answer to charge solely within jurisdiction of his own County Court. He had finely suggested how apropos for the adulterous Commander to allure giddy youth to the New Levies by telling them that

"they would have nothing to do but to eat, drink & play with the Girls."
 Treason now reigns triumphant here !!!

Liberty of speech & of press are both abridged.

OCTOBER.

2. Went Boston with Fisher Ames. Const^s Telegraph 1st N^o.
4. Steph Whiting takes my timber to sawmill.
5. Jem demands 80 dols p^r year
6. Dr. Jarvis by E. Seaver demands a National Magazine. Wrote Ch. Holt, for it.
9. Bee again stop'd not arriv'd 11th
11. Advanc'd 50 dol's Is Fairbanks towards Shed,
 Rec'd 1 M. boards p^r Lem Whiting
14. Bee arriv'd, due last Friday.
16. Jem gathers corn my horse & Cart. Sessions contra.
17. Went Boston with Mrs. Bissel.
21. Bargained with Jem for year ensuing 1st Sept, last, 70^d.
22. Is. F. began framing adⁿ to Barn carried to Circuit Court prisoner & fin'd 8, for contempt pretended by J. Davis. I was not legally sum'd & had not time to attend.
23. Dan^l Baker framing with Fairbanks.
24. New Envoys to France, Ellsworth, Davie, Murray.
28. L.d Maple birch &c. Is Eaton $\frac{1}{2}$ of a Cord, a 4^d
31. Raised addⁿ to Barn. Is^l Fairbanks near 7 days with D. Baker 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ framing it is 24 by 16 with 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet posts, & a strip 4 by 16 behind Barn. Costs spec^d in my day Book. Bo't at Smith 1600 board Nails a 11s. and by Lem Gay got 3000 more at 10s. with 3000 shingle nails a 2s 3 & borrowed of L. Baker 1000 shingle nails.

NOVEMBER.

4. Mr^s Bissel & husband set out home.
5. Slabs at Sawmill 4 dol. Cord & carting makes as dear as hard w^d
6. J. Adams charged with turning Jaco for resisting Pinckney Hamilton & British faction, in sending Envoys to France to treat of peace.
9. Israel Fairbanks work'd 14 day finish Barn shed. L. Baker 10 N. Smith 4 makes 28 days work of one man to compleat such a building.
11. Jay's curs'd treaty broke by Commis^s secedeing, to the joy of true Americans.
13. Judge Cushing here, refuses redress for gross injury, & add insult by refering me to F. A.
15. paid off Israel Fairbanks 17. 15 ball.
16. Sainte Maure Duc de Montausier the best Character I ever read. & peer of France Governor of Louis Dauphin of France son of Louis 14th
21. Infamy of Judge Bee So' Carolina causing murder of Jonath^l Robbins by delivery to British under Jays treaty—confirm'd even by the British account. Why is not Judge Bee denounc'd to the President as alien, to be banished. Tobias Lord's son of Kennebunk by L^d Camelford Capt Jessup by Lord Pigot Capt Giles by Matson Jonath Robbins murdered Ira Drake &c: &c:
26. Swore a Recruit for L^t Gay. Went Wrentham staid over night
27. 2^d N^o. National Magazine arriv'd for several
29. sent by Is Eaton Nat^l Mag. to N. Ruggles.
30. The Dutch or Batavians make great havoc of Russians & Britons under Duke of York invading Holland, on 19th September

DECEMBER.

2. New Congress, sixth meet at Philadelphia
3. Mr Ferol, Miss of Newspapers this Week Tim sold Stages to Lewis.

6. Firkin butter. Moses Richardson, 67½ a 1s lb. p^d 11^{dols} his Son.
7. Paid Lethbridge's son 3½ pistareens for Turkey w^t 6¼ lb a 7^d
9. President's speech arriv'd less full of vengeance.
12. Grand Victories over combin'd Tyrants, in all quarters except here.
13. Mann 24 hours publishing a hand bill!
14. Answer of House to President's speech, mere slavish eccho.
15. Buonaparte destroy'd 18000 Turks returns from Egypt to France triumphant Massena defeats Suwarrow destroys 3000 Russians & Austrians. Gen. Brwne with French defeats Duke York in Holland & Russians in July & Octob. last
16. Angina Malign said to be prevalent in Country. Dan Baker mends my sley I finding wh Oak clear plank which he was to return but never did—p^d Hurd ½ dollar for iron plate on one runner.
24. Washington died 14th of Crupe or Quiney.
25. Chris^e fine day. Lewis miss'd bringing Pap^r
27. It now comes out by British acc^t of Jonath Robbins trial & execution that he never confessed himself an Irishman—but true American—and Judge Bee of So Carolina is guilty of his murder by delivery up to British trial! In all the funeral pomp at Washington's death it is hoped a thought will be bestowed on poor Jonathan Robbins!

Abijah Draper began study 16th Octob' 1797 for 3 years end 16 Octob. 1800.

Nov. 6th 98 Benjamin Fairbanks one of the richest Farmers in Dedham taken by S. Bradford the Marshal of the High fed Court with Gen^l Eliot & a number of coadjutors in pompous array of tyrant power seiz'd on suspicion carried out of his own County to answer to charges solely within the jurisdiction of his own state laws & courts of his own County—and held to the excessive bail of 4000 dollars to answer to tyrannic usurpation! on our own sovereign state.

But now Jan 7, 1799 On Griswold's motion for extending Sedition to foreign Countries to catch such as Logan who has sav'd his Country unauthoris'd by Law the impudent Junto below divided as follows—58 to 37

Constantine the first Christian Emperor of the Romans was the first that decreed by Law to rest from labor on Sunday the first day of the week The Seventh or Saturday being so kept by divine command to the Jews.

It is enough to make old Patriots sick of life to see with what high hand the new riders brandish their whips & fetters over their dozy sovereign! See Congressional proceedings of the House 17 Jan'y 1799 While whole states remonstrate against their Acts—the People amaz'd, agast, some petrified with fear—others suffering in gaol or under excessive bonds to answer unto charges in strange tribunals out of their own Counties—Civil War threatening all over U. S. drown foreign disputes. But the people must will wake at last. Such reiterated insolence of the British junto cannot long be born. Asses would resist such gibes & goads! Our quondam Servants of the sovereign states by gagging our mouths & licensing our presses strive to prevent that scrutiny into their usurpations & treason that must sink them unless screened from responsibility by such terrific Acts Thomas Bee a District Judge So' Carolina by his single decree without jury causes murder of Jonath' Robbins an American citizen enslav'd in British warship by delivery to British 1799 who hang and gibbet him. Why don't some other citizen denounce Bee to the President to be banish'd under alien act? How can J. Adams leave such a wretch as Bee in Office? Fine times when murderers & adulterers are best candidates for highest offices! !

(To be continued.)

EPITAPHS FROM THE OLD BURYING GROUND, WEST MEDWAY.

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(Continued from Vol. IX., page 123.)

46. Abigail P. dg. of John & Abigail Standish died Nov. 21. 1832
Aged 4 yrs. 1 m. & 11 da.

47. James Son of Thomas & Sarah Howard Drowned March 18.
1831. Aged 9 yr. 9 mo.

In the midst of life we are in death.

48. In memory of Leut. Elias Howard who died Oct. ye 23. 1733 in
the 27th yr of his age.

A soul prepared needs no delay
The summon comes ye must obey
Swift was his race to his abode
He closed his Eyes to see his God.

49. Here lies the body of Asa Hayward son of Samuel Hayward
and Mrs. Hannah his wife deceased Sept 28. 1767 Aged 3 yr 7 mo & 18 day

50. In memory of Samuel Hayward son of Mr. Samuel & Mrs. Han-
nah Hayward his wife who died March ye 27 1771 in the 17 yr. of his age.

51. In memory of Moses Hayward son of Mr. Samuel & Mrs Hannah.
Hayward who died Mar. 25. 1776 in ye 21st year of his Age.

52. In Memory of Mr Samuel Hayward who died Febr^y the 1st 1775 in
ye 52nd year of his age.

53. Here lies Hannah the wife of Mr. James Richardson who died
June ye 22nd 1789 in ye 28th year of her age.

Death is a debt to Nature due,
Which I have paid and so must you.

54. In memory of Mr. Nathan Hayward who died september the
25th 1789 in ye 19th year of his age.

Hear lies cut down in youth,
One who loved & obeyed the truth
As you pass by, Look on & see
Prepare for death and follow me.

55. In memory of Simeon, son of Mr Moses Rockwood and Hannah
his wife who died sept^{ber} the 27 1778 in the Ninth year of her age,

56. L. R. 1764.

57. Moses Rockwood died Feb. 2 1823 Ae. 86 yrs. 6 ms.

58. In memory of Mrs Hannah wife of Mr Moses Rockwood who
died August 25 1796 in ye 65 year of her age.

59. In memory of Frances Daughter of ye late Capt Thomas Met-
calf & Mr^s Deborah his wife who Died Sept. 12th 1775 in ye 14th year of
her age.

60. In memory of Moses Hill son of Moses Hill & Christian his wife departed June 10. 1761 Aged 1 year 2 ms. & 15 days.

61. I am a remembrancer of Mrs Lydia Whiting relict of Mr. Nath^l Whiting who died Oct th 4. 1799 in the 71st year of her age.

62. In memory of Clarissa daughter of Mr Luther Metcalf, and Marcy his wife, she died, February ye 4th 1783 in the 2nd year of her age.

63. Here Lies the Body of Lois Whiting Dau^{ter} of M^r Nathaniel Whiting & M^{rs} Lydia his wife Decease^d, April ye 20th 1766 Aged one Month & 15 Days.

64. In memory of M^r Nathaniel Whiting who died February Ye 1st 1770 in the 45 Year of his Age.

65. In memory of Mrs. Margaret Wife of Capt Nathaniel Whiting who died Jan 11th 1775 in ye 84th Year of her Age.

66. In memory of Capt Nathaniel Whiting who died Sept the 4th 1779 In the 89th Year of his age.

67. Here Lies the Body of Joel Whiting 4th Son and Child of Mr Nathan Whiting & Mrs Marcy his wife Deceased Jany ye 26 1757 Aged one year & 6 Months & 11 days.

time cuts down all
both great & small.

68. Here Lies ye, Body of Nathan Whiting son of Mr. Nathan Whiting & M^{rs} Marcy his wife Deceased Decem^r, ye, 17,th 1756 Aged 6 years 9 m,^{os} & 10 d

As runs the glass Mans life doth pass.

69. In memory of David Whiting son Lieut. Nathan Whiting & Mrs. Marcy his wife Died Jan 24 1773 in the 24th year of his Age.

70. Sacred To the Memory of Lieut. Nathan Whiting wh deceased lay the 9th 1790 and in the 65th Year of his age.

In faith he dy'd in Dust he lies,
But faith foresees that Dust shall rise,
When Jesus calls while hope assumes
And bursts her Joye among the tombs.

71. Here Lies the Body of Paitee ye Daughter of Simon Fisher & Dinah his wife who Died Aug 20th 1775 Aged 3 Years.

72. In memory of Mrs. Dinah Fisher who Died Sept 7th 1778 in ye 1st year of her age.

Thou wast cut down in Bloom of life
A faithful friend & Loving Wife
A tender Mother good & Kind
With her sweet Babe by Death consined.

73. In memory of Simon Fisher died Sept 10th 1818 in the 70th year of his age.

74. In memory of the widow Hannah Metcalf wife of Deacon Johnathan Metcalf deceased who departed this life Oct ye 23 1792 in the 80th year of her age.

75. In memory of Bathsheba dau^r. of Mr. Johnathan Metcalf jun. & Bathsheba his wife who died Sept 20. 1756 Being 9 years 4 mo^s & 16 Days old.

76. In memory of Deacon Johnathan Metcalf who died Jan. ye 10th 1775 in ye 82nd Year of his age.

The memory of ye Just is Blessed.

Oh! what is frail and Mortal Man

Or any of his Dying race,

That God should think to entertain

And freely save him by his Grace.

77. In memory of Mrs. Lois, wife of Daniel Pond, who died March 17th 1787 in ye 57 Year of her age.

She long'd the day, to go the way

Where all the living must.

And wished the hour of Sovereign Power

To turn to native dust.

By faith she lived in faith she dy'd

Left much behind to teach

Her husband near, & daughter dear,

Such things as none can preach.

78. In memory of Jabez Pond son of Daniel Pond & Lois his wife.

79. In memory of Mrs. Silence Metcalf wife of Mr. Elial Metcalf who died March 14, 1818 Aged 54 years

Farewell my friends and children dear

I've left this world of pain

May virtue be your practice here

Till we do meet again.

80. In memory of Preston Metcalf Who died Jan 15. 1840 Aged 48.

81. In memory of Timothy A. Metcalf who died May 12. 1832 Aged 13 yrs. & 5 ms.

82. A remembrancer of Mr. Elial Metcalf late of Medway West Precinct who departed this life Oct the 4th 1792 In the 33rd year of his age.

In prosp'rous life, he felt deaths heavy stroke

Yet, calmly bow'd to what the Lord had spoke;

And left the church, a wife & children dear;

To mourn their loss while he's no longer hear.

83. In memory of Mr. John Metcalf who died on the 22nd day of February 1791 In the 87 Year of his Age.

'Tis but a few whose days amount

To threescore years and ten

And all beyond that short account

Is sorrow toil, and pain.

84. In memory of Nancy daughter of Doct^r Asa Adams & Mrs Adams his wife who died Dec. 21st 1785 Aged 3 months.

85. Here Lies the Body of Mrs. Mary Metcalf wife to Mr John Metcalf who died July 28 1754 in the 40th year of age.

86. Timothy Whiting
Rhoda Whiting

Memorial

After this I looked and behold a door was
opened in heaven; and the first voice which
I heard said come up hither.
And there shall no wise enter into it any,—
but they which are written in the Lamb's book
of life.

87. Here lies the body of Hephzibah Daugh^r of Mr Stephen Metcalf & Mrs Hephzibah his wife who Died August, 16. 1775 in ye 17th year of her age.

(*To be continued.*)

DEDHAM IN THE REBELLION.

BOSTON, Oct. 10, 1898.

Mr. Editor:—

DEAR SIR,— In looking up some matters relating to the Civil War I ran across an item relating to the conduct of Dedham's soldiers after the war. The extract speaks for itself and shows that the town of Dedham had indeed cause to be proud of her soldiers. I thought that possibly the extract might prove of sufficient interest to warrant its insertion in the REGISTER as an addendum to Mr. Joseph H. Lathrop's able article on "Dedham in the Rebellion."

In the Massachusetts Public Documents (II. 141) for the year 1865 the Adjutant-General mentions that he sent a letter of the same purport as the one below to every city and town in the state.

ERNEST L. GAY.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,

ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE.

BOSTON, December 9, 1865.

To the Selectmen of ———

GENTLEMEN,— As a matter of public interest, I am endeavoring to ascertain what proportion, if any, of the returned soldiers belonging to your town have been guilty of any crime since their return home ; or whether their habits have been better, or worse, than they were before they entered the army.

I have sent a copy of this to the Chairman of each Board of Selectmen in the State; also to the Mayors of the various cities, and to others. My purpose is, to gather the sentiment of the State in regard to our returned soldiers. My own opinion is, that, as a body, they are as good men now as they were when they enlisted in the service of their country.

I intend to use the information I may obtain upon this interesting subject, in my next Annual Report, which I am now engaged in preparing.

Please answer my inquiries as soon as you can. I would be pleased also, to have you state any opinions on the subject you may entertain

Respectfully yours,

WILLIAM SCHOULER,

Adjutant General.

In answer to this letter (Pub. Docs., II. 155) the Selectmen of Dedham wrote:—

We know of but one returned soldier who has been charged with crime in this town. We also believe that the habits of the others, so far as we can judge, are as good as they were before the war. In short, it is our belief that the town of Dedham has reason to be proud of her soldiers, and its moral condition is none the worse for them. Their practice and example are worthy of all praise.

J. COX, JR.

For the Selectmen.

BIRTHS IN STOUGHTONHAM (NOW SHARON).

BY WILLIAM R. MANN.

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Spencer Richards, son of Benjamin and Betsey, October 14, 1826.
 Abigail Elizabeth Gould, dau. of Willard and Abigail, Sept. 22, 1823.
 Hannah Johnson, dau. of Ellis and Hannah, March 21, 1818.
 Caroline Johnson, dau. of Ellis and Hannah, May 14, 1821.
 Charles Ellis Johnson, son of Ellis and Hannah, July 2, 1824.
 Frederick Johnson, son of Ellis and Hannah, December 7, 1826.
 Charles Francis Richards, son of Charles and Elizabeth, Jan. 6, 1826.
 Mary Frances Ide, dau. of Capt. Charles and Mary, Dec. 31, 1826.
 Ebenezer Pettee, son of Daniel and Sally, Nov. 20, 1825.

George Richards, son of James and Lucy, June 23, 1827.
Elbridge Clap, son of Samuel and Abigail, August 24, 1820.
George Clap, son of Samuel and Abigail, July 6, 1824.
Charles Elijah Stone, son of Doct. Daniel and Mary, April 13, 1828.
Warren Cobb, son of Jonathan and Sibel, July 28, 1821.
Maria Allen Morse, dau. of Jacob and Rhoda, Dec. 5, 1827.
Ebenezer Tisdale, son of Col. Israel and Susanna, August 14, 1811.
Ann Tisdale, dau. of Col. Israel and Susanna, March 27, 1813.
Elizabeth Tisdale, dau. of Col. Israel and Betsey, Sept. 12, 1815.
Josiah Tisdale, son of Col. Israel and Betsey, October 18, 1817.
Susanna Tisdale, dau. of Col. Israel and Betsey, October 1, 1819.
Edward Tisdale, son of Col. Israel and Betsey, January 20, 1822.
Mace Tisdale, son of Col. Israel and Betsey, June 21, 1824.
Hannah Tisdale, dau. of Col. Israel and Betsey, February 18, 1828.
Henry Augustus Richards, son of Charles and Elizabeth, Oct. 15, 1827.
Benjamin Franklin Richards, son of Charles and Elizabeth, Jan. 1, 1829.
Stilman Porter Morse, son of Stilman and Anna, May 5, 1823.
Vernon Gould, son of Jeremiah and Mary, February 11, 1829.
Mary Hewins, dau. of Philip and Lucy, January 24, 1819.
Enoch Hewins, son of Philip and Lucy, March 5, 1823.
Jeremiah Hewins, son of Philip and Lucy, September 20, 1826.
Helen Augusta Ide, dau. of Capt. Charles and Mary, Jan. 1, 1830.
Rotheus Pettee, son of Daniel and Sally, March 6, 1829.
Erastus Otis Fuller, son of Otis and Catherine, July 30, 1827.
Catherine Fuller, dau. of Otis and Catherine, April 30, 1830.
Warren Allen Talbot, son of Warren and Esther A., Dec. 13, 1829.
Alfred Benjamin Stone, son of Doct. Daniel and Mary, June 7, 1830.
Daniel Allen Hodges, son of Daniel Jr. and Irena, April 20, 1830.
Josiah Johnson, son of Josiah and Eleanor, October 2, 1803.
Olive Eleanor Johnson, dau. of Josiah Jr. and Olive, Dec. 9, 1828.
Martha Morse Curtis, dau. of Rufus and Cynthia, December 21, 1829.
Ruth Tisdale, dau. of Col. Israel and Betsey, August 14, 1831.
Hannah Frances Savage, dau. of William and Hannah, June 24, 1828.
Harriet Talbot, dau. of Josiah Jr. and Polly, July 11, 1827.
Israel Tisdale Talbot, son of Josiah Jr. and Polly, Oct. 29, 1829.
Sarah W. Talbot, dau. of Josiah Jr. and Polly, April 9, 1832.
Sarah Ellis Morse, dau. of Lewis and Anna, January 20, 1827.
Lewis Washington Morse, son of Lewis and Anna, January 27, 1829.
Anna Pierce Morse, dau. of Lewis and Anna, February 27, 1832.
Lucinda Morse, dau. of Lewis and Anna, September 28, 1834.
Edwin W. Holmes, son of William and Anna, February 26, 1816.
Robert Gould, son of Jeremiah and Mary, October 14, 1831.
Marietta Gould, dau. of Jeremiah and Mary, September 1, 1833.
Charles Kingsbury Ide, son of Capt. Charles and Mary, Aug. 30, 1834.
Elmira Monk Johnson, dau. of Ellis and Lydia, April 23, 1834.
Amanda Johnson, dau. of Ellis and Lydia, November 19, 1835.
David Henry Hodges, son of Daniel Jr. and Irena, Dec. 14, 1834.

- Sarah Ann Pettee, dau. of Samuel and Sarah, March 16, 1841.
Lewis Parker Billings, son of Lewis 2nd and Elizabeth Ellis, November 9, 1839.
Elizabeth Abbe Billings, dau. of Lewis 2nd and Elizabeth Ellis, October 20, 1841.
Ellen Sophia Ide, dau. of Capt. Charles and Mary, October 28, 1841.
Albert Gallatin Hixon, son of Samuel D. and Fanny, Sept. 11, 1816.
Charles Davis Hixon, son of Samuel D. and Fanny, March 30, 1818.
Harriet Elizabeth Hixon, dau. of Samuel D. and Fanny, April 4, 1821.
Frances Maria Hixon, dau. of Samuel D. and Fanny, Feb. 12, 1825.
Augusta Tisdale Hixon, dau. of Samuel D. and Fanny, August 17, 1827.
George Henry Hixon, son of Samuel D. and Fanny, July 21, 1829.
Frances Maria Hixon, dau. of Charles D. and Mary, April 8, 1841.
Margaret Eliza Hixon, dau. of Albert G. and Eliza, Jan. 3, 1842.
Theresa Loretta Richards, dau. of Erastus and Rowenna, April 17, 1842.
Sarah Elizabeth Mann, dau. of George H. and Rhoda, Feb. 5, 1834.
Adeline Louisa Pettee, dau. of Daniel and Adeline, March 29, 1829.
Daniel Webster Pettee, son of Daniel and Adeline, Feb. 20, 1832.
Phineas Howard Baker, son of Phineas and Abzada, October 15, 1825.
Mary Elizabeth Baker, dau. of Phineas and Abzada, March 27, 1828.
Aaron Blake Baker, son of Phineas and Abzada, May 9, 1833.
Abigail Baker, dau. of Phineas and Abzada, October 6, 1838.
Theodora Elizabeth Thayer, dau. of Silas and Rebecca, Dec. 5, 1841.
Edgar Macy Hixon, son of Mace and Harriet, April 18, 1839.
Samuel Thompson Leonard, son of Nathaniel Jr. and Hannah, October 7, 1842.
Ammon Rodgers Morse, son of David L. and Maria, August 20, 1841.
Anna Elizabeth Polley, dau. of Manard H. and Roxey, Nov. 29, 1840.
Abigail Comsett, dau. of William and Chloe, May 30, 1841.
Eliza Jane Stratton, dau. of Harrison and Hannah, June 29, 1834.
William Harrison Stratton, son of Harrison and Hannah, Feb. 1, 1840.
Francis Warren Fuller, son of Warren and Elizabeth B., Nov. 13, 1831.
Charles Oliver Fuller, son of Warren and Elizabeth B., April 25, 1834.
John Smith Fuller, son of Warren and Elizabeth B., May 25, 1836.
Esther Eliza Fuller, dau. of Warren and Elizabeth B., May 11, 1840.
Nancy Augusta Randall, dau. of John F. and Nancy, July 8, 1833.
Sarah Hewins, dau. of Benjamin Jr. and Sarah Ann, Oct. 23, 1835.
Benjamin Loring Hewins, son of Benjamin Jr. and Sarah Ann, September 19, 1837.
Alfred Hewins, son of Benjamin Jr. and Sarah Ann, Feb. 13, 1841.
Lewis Fisher Gould, son of Lewis and Betsey Blake, Oct. 15, 1829.
Charles Gould, son of Lewis and Betsey Blake, January 3, 1833.
Simon Gould, son of Lewis and Betsey Blake, December 8, 1835.
Charles Freeman Adams, son of James M. and Susan, Nov. 30, 1842.
Uriah Walter Johnson, son of Uriah and Relief, April 10, 1830.
Willard Johnson, son of Uriah and Relief, July 28, 1832.
Warren Johnson, son of Uriah and Relief, January 19, 1834.

- Elmira Whiting Reynolds, dau. of Lieut. Benjamin F. and Elmira, September 18, 1835.
- Martha Hewins, dau. of Lemuel D. and Patty, April 14, 1819.
- Lemuel Francis Hewins, son of Lemuel D. and Patty, April 7, 1821.
- Henry Hewins, son of Lemuel D. and Patty, July 7, 1823.
- Eliza Jane Hewins, dau. of Lemuel D. and Patty, November 5, 1828.
- Emeline Hewins, dau. of Lemuel D. and Patty, March 12, 1831.
- Jesse Gay Lawrence, son of Miss Mary Lawrence, Feb. 13, 1830.
- George Hill, son of Miss Abigail Hill, February 13, 1834.
- Willard Gould, son of Jeremiah and Mary, February 15, 1837.
- Amanda Kinsley Hixson, dau. of Richard W. and Myra A., October 4, 1826.
- Edward Richard Hixson, son of Richard W. and Myra A., Feb. 5, 1839.
- James Glover, son of Miss Nancy Glover, June 18, 1837.
- Frances Adelaide Reynolds, dau. of Benjamin F. and Lucy Ann, October 12, 1838.
- Lucius Root Eastman, son of Rev. Lucius R. and Sarah Ann, Jan. 25, 1839.
- Helen Frances Capen, dau. of Thomas and Susan, May 9, 1839.
- Horace Fuller, son of Otis and Catherine, November 19, 1836.
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- Erastus Emery Richards, son of Erastus and Rowenna C., Feb. 12, 1838.
- Edgar Eugene Rickards, son of Erastus and Rowenna C., Aug. 20, 1839.
- Frederick William Ide, son of Capt. Charles and Mary, Sept. 9, 1839.
- Abbe Savage, dau. of William and Hannah L., May 25, 1838.
- Myra Ann Monk, dau. of Samuel and Elmira, September 15, 1835.
- Samuel Isaac Monk, son of Samuel and Almira, November 27, 1837.
- Henry Warren Pettee, son of Jarvis and Elizabeth, October 14, 1835.
- Charlotte Maria Pettee, dau. of Jarvis and Elizabeth, April 14, 1839.
- Annie Maria Johnson, dau. of Charles and Rebecca, March 1, 1840.
- Adelaide Benson, dau. of Russel C. and Abigail S., Nov. 20, 1839.
- Hannah Almira Capen, dau. of Warren and Hannah, August 6, 1840.
- Julius Augustus Hewins, son of Aaron and Mary Ann, June 27, 1836.
- Lucy Belcher Hewins, dau. of Aaron and Mary Ann, August 26, 1840.
- Mary Louisa Curtis, dau. of Rufus and Louisa, December 31, 1837.
- Abigail Johnson Curtis, dau. of Rufus and Louisa, January 3, 1841.
- Warren Barton Skinner, son of William S. and Nabby S., May 3, 1834.
- Ann Maria Skinner, dau. of William S. and Nabby S., July 23, 1836.
- Joel Plimpton Hewins, son of Deacon Joel and Polly, June 17, 1817.
- Charles Hewins, son of Deacon Joel and Polly, February 12, 1819.
- Mary Hewins, dau. of Deacon Joel and Polly, August 7, 1821.
- Caroline Frances Richards, dau. of Lewis and Anna A. L., Oct. 12, 1839.
- George Howard Johnson, son of Charles and Rebecca, March 10, 1841.
- Rhoda L. Drake, dau. of Lemuel and Sylvia, March 26, 1830.
- Lemuel Henry Drake, son of Azel and Olive, September 23, 1838.
- Sanford Waters Billings, son of Sanford and Caroline, October 6, 1834.
- Phebe Ann Billings, dau. of Sanford and Phebe, October 3, 1837.

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THE January number of the New Eng. Hist. and Gen. Register (pp. 33, 34) contains an article by Mr. George K. Clarke on the books, pamphlets, and newspapers that have historical and genealogical material relating to the town of Needham. It includes a list of the children in what is called "Needham End," from four to seventeen years of age, dated December 5, 1798.

QUERIES.

1. HARDING-ALLEN. On the Dedham records, under date of July 7, 1698, is the marriage of Henry Harding to Mary "Aline" both of Medfield. Who was Mary? I cannot identify her in Hutchinson's genealogy of the Medfield Allens, nor in Tilden's History.

2. ELLIS-FRENCH. Under date of July 7, 1650, is the marriage of Richard Ellice and Elizabeth French. What is known of either? Parentage and place of origin are both desired.

3. PAINE. In the earliest Dedham records the names of Thomas and Rebecca Paine appear. Who was Rebecca? Who was the mother of Thomas?

F. W. C.

4. HOW. Who were the parents and what was the date of birth of Hannah wife of Isaac How, mentioned on page 2 of this number of the REGISTER?

5. ALLEN-WITHINGTON. Who were the parents and what was the date of birth of Mary (or Molly) Allen, who married Elijah Withington, mentioned on the same page?

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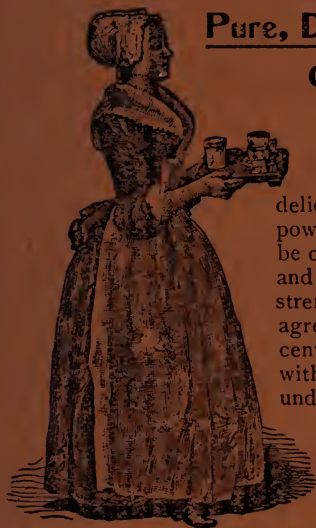
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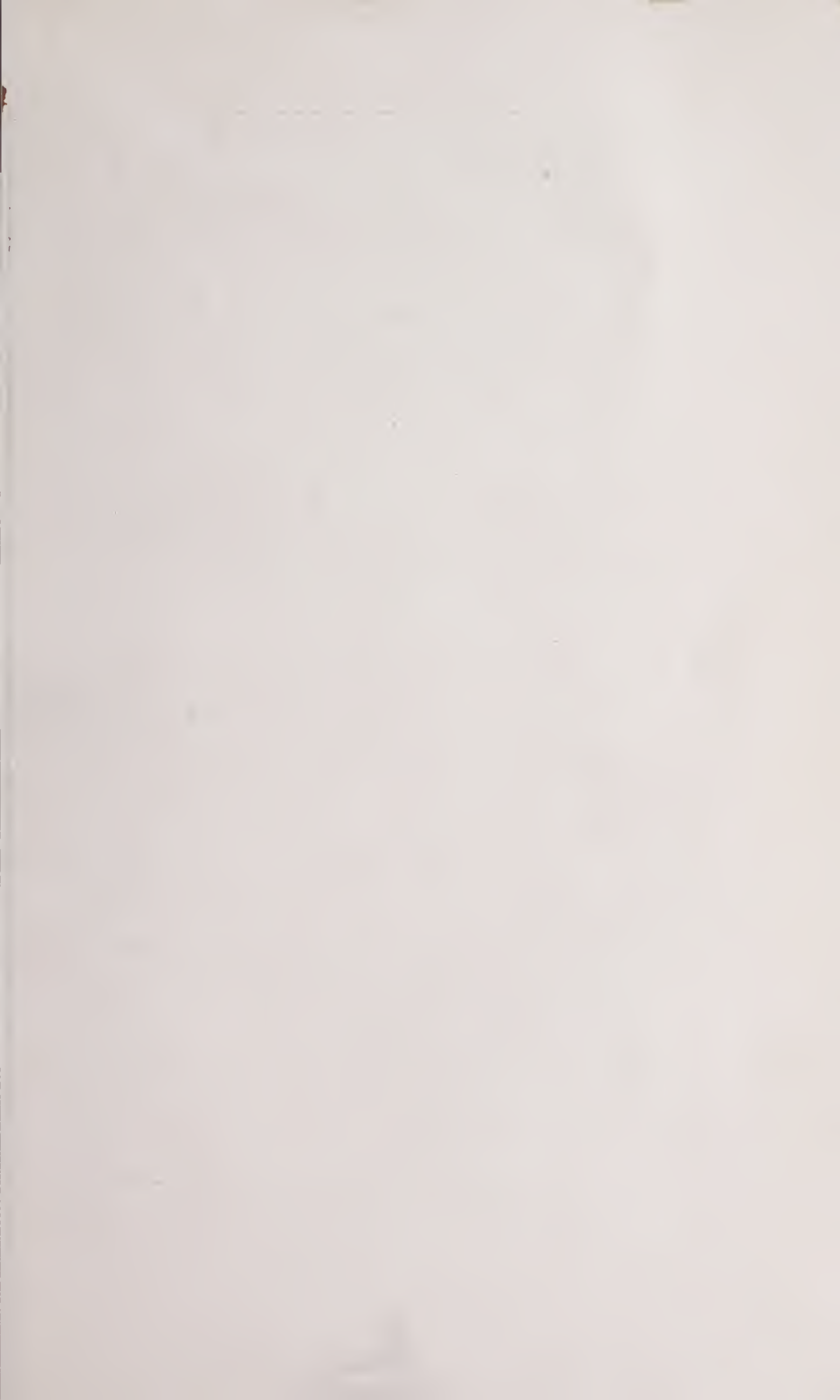
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OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BY DON GLEASON HILL.

THE Legislature of this Commonwealth, by an act passed on June 5, 1895 (Chap. 472), directed the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, to appoint three discreet persons to be known as the Old Colony Commission, to hold office for one year. It was the duty of this Commission to investigate certain spots of general historic interest within the Counties of Bristol, Barnstable, Plymouth, Norfolk and Nantucket, to collect such historic information in relation thereto as it shall deem expedient, and with authority to mark such places with bounds or monuments, with suitable inscriptions thereon for the purpose of preserving them, and with authority to expend therefor the money of the Commonwealth, not exceeding the amount stated in the act.

Another act was passed May 6, 1897 (Chap. 352), substantially like the former act, but continuing the Commission for three years. The persons appointed on this Commission were Hon. William T. Davis, of Plymouth, Rev. S. Hopkins Emery, of Taunton, and L. Vernon Briggs, of Hanover.

The territory designated in this act included our County of Norfolk, and this Commission inquired what we had in Norfolk County of general historic interest

which would properly come within the purpose of this act. Naturally we thought of the days of old King Philip and even of the mythical King Noannet, but after a little deliberation we thought of the establishment of our old free public school, and at once suggested to the Commissioners that they commemorate the establishment in Dedham in 1644-5 of the free Public School supported by the general taxation of the people.

You will remember the occasion, three years ago, when we celebrated in Memorial Hall the 250th anniversary of the establishment of this school. His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth, the Lieutenant-Governor, the Secretary of the State Board of Education and other distinguished guests were present; and the Rev. Carlos Slafter, who has made a special study of the history of the Dedham Schools, delivered an interesting and valuable historical address.

The printed report of these proceedings, with the historical address, was furnished to the Commissioners, and as a result of their careful investigation of our evidence on the subject, through this Commission, the Commonwealth to-day honors us with the erection of this very appropriate Tablet. No! We must not claim that honor. The Commonwealth to-day honors the noble work of those worthy founders of this historic town of Dedham and the principles enunciated by them more than 250 years ago.

This boulder was procured and placed in position upon this Church Green for the reception of the Tablet, with the kind permission of the Parish, by a committee of the Dedham Historical Society. This monument is placed within the very shadows of two church spires. On the other corner of the green stands the monument erected in 1766 by the Sons of Liberty to commemorate the repeal of the obnoxious stamp act of Great Britain. That mon-

ument stands in close proximity on one side to our magnificent Temple of Justice, and on the other to the site of the birthplace of the Hon. Fisher Ames, in honor of whose memory our school in the village is named,—monuments to the great principles of our Republic; Religion according to the dictates of our own conscience; Free Public Schools; Liberty and Justice.

In 1620 the Pilgrims of the "Mayflower" landed at Plymouth, and we take off our hats to them in reverence, as we think of all that they have suffered for the sake of principle, of their being driven from their beloved native land, of their wanderings to Holland and thence to Plymouth, to the stern and rock-bound coast, and their landing in the dead of winter. Their growth, however, was very slow. On the other hand, the men who founded the Massachusetts Bay Colony came direct from England, the cream of English society, men of character and sterling worth like their Plymouth brethren, but who had endured less of the hardships of life. Men of wealth and education, they came in great numbers; 21,000 of these people came between 1630 and 1640, and it is asserted on good authority that between 1630 and 1690 there were in New England as many graduates of Cambridge and Oxford as could be found in any population of similar size in the old country. It was by such men as these that the old original mother towns were settled.

Five years after the settlement of Boston, steps were taken toward a settlement in this vicinity, and the next year (1636) we find the founders of Dedham already established here. One of their first official acts was the adoption of a covenant, to which all who were admitted in the society were required to subscribe. It began:—

We whose names ar here vnto subscribed. doe. in the feare and Reuerence of Our Allmightie God, Mutually: and seuerally pmise amongst our selues and each to other to pffesse and practice one trueth according to that most pfect rule. the foundation where of is Euerlasting Loue:

Two years later, in 1638, with the same infinite care and pains, the church was established, and the building of the meetinghouse begun on the site of the present Unitarian Church.

These early settlers were not common men. The care and minuteness with which their records, both town and church, were kept bear witness to their wisdom and enterprise. They were men equal to all the emergencies of the day. For instance, the establishment of a suitable corn mill was one of the necessities of the new settlement. To provide the necessary power, they did, with great skill, a piece of engineering in 1639, which to-day would hardly be attempted. They dug an artificial creek through the meadows by which a portion of the waters of Charles River were turned down into the Neponset, thereby creating not a single water power merely, but at the same time providing the means by which since that time a half a dozen other mill privileges have been created.

The ablest men of the town were sent as deputies or representatives to the General Court: Edward Alleyn, the first town clerk, who undoubtedly drafted the town covenant, one of the founders of the Church, and who died while on duty at the General Court; Ralph Wheelock, whom Mr. Slafter believes to have been our first schoolmaster, the ancestor of the founder of Dartmouth College; Eleazer Lusher, the second town clerk and one of the ablest men in the whole colony, a man selected by the General Court for such an important duty as the collation and revision of the laws of the colony; Henry and Francis Chickering and John Kingsbury, ancestors of the great families bearing their surnames.

The same session of the General Court which ratified the Dedham grant and gave to us the name of Dedham in 1636 appropriated £400 for the endowment of Harvard College. Palfrey says it was equal to the whole colony

tax for a year, or 50 cents for each inhabitant of the colony, and at the same rate now \$1,000,000 would scarcely represent the value of the endowment.

The earliest colonial legislation relating to the education of the children passed in 1642, but this law had nothing to do with the establishment of schools, but simply required the Selectmen to see that the parents and masters attended to the education and employment of the children. But the town of Dedham at a town meeting the first day of the 11th month, 1644, voted as follows:—

The sd Inhabitants takeing into Consideration the great necesitie of providing some meanes for the Education of the youth of o^r sd Towne with an vnaninous consent declare by voate their willingnes to promote that worke promising to put too their hands to provide maintenance for a Free Schoole in our said Towne

And farther did resolue & consent testefying it by voate to rayse the some of Twenty pounds p annu : towards the maintaining of a Schoole m^r to keep a free Schoole in our sd Towne

It is in commemoration of that event that the Commonwealth to-day erects this Tablet.

It is certainly a noteworthy fact that within three years after this experiment of Dedham in the establishment of this free public school, to be thus supported by the whole people of the town, that the General Court passed its first school legislation, the act of 1647, the foundation of the Massachusetts Free School system. "A law so broad and generous in its scope as to challenge the admiration of statesmen; so exact, yet so elastic, in its provisions that with a single addition it sufficed for 140 years of Massachusetts history, and gave to Massachusetts its position as first in order of all the states, yes, of the world, in establishing the free school system."

It was claimed by Mr. Slafter in his 250th Anniversary address, and I repeat the claim to-day, that the men representing Dedham in the General Court, who themselves had had personal experience in our methods of the

free school system, must have exerted great influence in bringing about the passage of the law of 1647.

In 1648-9 the first schoolhouse was erected, and this is practically the 250th anniversary of that event, one of the matters of interest mentioned in the Tablet. That schoolhouse stood on the ground now occupied by the Unitarian Vestry. The place where the first school was held in Dedham cannot now be absolutely determined by any record, but we have good reason to suppose that it was held in the meetinghouse.

This morning we commemorate the establishment of the first school in Dedham; this afternoon we dedicate with appropriate ceremony the beautiful new Ames Schoolhouse, erected by the town. "Great oaks from little acorns grow," and I am going to compare the establishing of the first school in 1644 to the planting of the acorn, from which the sturdy oak has grown and flourished these 250 years, and has sent out its branches in all directions.

The Dedham of 1644 extended from Roxbury to the Rhode Island line, even including the distant town of Bellingham. It is a mother of towns, and from the statistics of the last Report of the Board of Education I have estimated that there are to-day over 160 schools, with nearly 6000 pupils, who may be considered the direct offspring of the school of 1644,—sturdy branches of the healthy old oak, which is itself to-day represented by the present Ames School,—not to mention our great college for the higher education of women, which has been established within the territory of ancient Dedham.

One of the great purposes of the earliest school legislation was the benefits to the Commonwealth. The preamble to one of the earliest revisions of the law of 1647, says, "For in as much as the good education of children is of singular behoof and benefit to any Commonwealth,"

etc. To the people of to-day this appears as a self evident proposition. Like the pure air, or water, so common, we do not stop to appreciate their value, or realize what would be the consequences in case we were deprived of such every day luxuries.

The Declaration of Rights began with the proposition that all men are born free and equal. This idea is thoroughly exemplified in our free common school system of to-day. Here the rich and the poor, children of all classes and conditions of men, all meet on equal terms and have equal advantages. The periodical entertainments which are given by our school children in Memorial Hall, and the interest which the whole town takes in them, illustrate what the free common school means. It is one of the pleasant things in our municipal life that while our voters sometimes wrangle in town meeting over various public matters, when the school question comes up for action, as a rule, the people all act together.

It is a duty we owe to our country in return for all the benefits which we receive to work to promote the welfare of our children, and that brings me back to that first law of 1642, where the State imposed a duty upon the parents for the education and employment of their children. That law should also now be enforced in order that the best results might be derived from the other law of 1647 and its amendments relating to the free public school. For it is just as much our duty to provide the Commonwealth with good citizens for times of peace as to provide her with brave men for time of war.

To-day is the anniversary of one of the great days of the Revolution,—the Battle of Bunker Hill, a day which will be remembered as long as the Republic remains a nation. We cannot all fight the battle of our country, but we who are parents can strive to prepare our children to become the best and purest of citizens.

Children, you can prepare yourselves for the best service to your country by being diligent in your study and by taking full advantage of all the means provided by your parents and by the town or state, and by being kind and courteous to all, especially those less favored than yourself.

An arm of aid to the weak,
A friendly hand to the friendless,
Kind words so short to speak,
But whose echo is endless :
The world is wide, these things are small ;
They may be nothing, but they are all.

You know the piece the boys declaim in school:—

What constitutes a state !
Not high raised battlements or labored mounds
No ! Men, high minded men
With powers as far above dull brutes enbued
In forest, brake, or den
As beasts excel cold rocks and brambles rude,
Men, who their duties know,
But know their rights, and knowing dare maintain

* * *

These constitute a state.

Hezekiah Butterworth, in his introduction to the boyhood of Lincoln, says:—

He who in youth unselfishly seeks the good of others, without fear or favor, may be ridiculed, but he makes for himself a character fit to govern others, and one that the people will one day need and honor.

Have for a motto not "Might Makes Right," but "Right Makes Might." Children, if you all will heed those injunctions you will certainly make your lives useful to your fellowmen and of value to your country. You can sing with greater zeal and fervor the grand old national hymn with which we are to close the exercises here this morning.

THE OLD TOWNSEND HOUSE IN NEEDHAM.

BY GEORGE KUHN CLARKE, LL. B., of Needham.

(Continued from Vol. I, page 85.)

THE history of the estate which for more than a century was the home of the ministers of the First Church in Needham has historical interest, and I therefore add the following notes to the account of it in the REGISTER for July, 1890.

Research as to the early ownership of land in Needham is made difficult by the failure to record deeds, and it is only recently that I have obtained a clue as to the probable earlier possessors of the land on which the first settled minister in Needham built his house. In the Suffolk Registry of Probate is recorded the distribution, made December 10, 1718, by three commissioners, of the lands of Thomas "Aldridge" of Dedham. Mr. Aldridge was a large owner of land in Dedham, and also had 150, or more, acres in Needham, which are described and bounded in the report of the commissioners.

His heirs were his widow, Hannah, Thomas, his only son, and Mary, his only daughter, wife of Joseph Lyon of Roxbury. Two parcels of land in Needham are described as follows in the assignment of dower: "Also Eleven Acres of the Land called School Ground in Needham aforesaid adjoining the Land of John Rice"; "Thirty five Acres more or less lying in Needham aforesaid near their Meeting House and bounded Northeast on Land of Mathias Okington Southeast on John Fuller's land, Southwest on the same and Northwest on James Kingsbury, this land was purchased of Cornelius Fisher with four Acres afterwards granted to said Thomas Aldridge." The son Thomas had 70 acres of the same parcel in which the widow had the 35 acres.

Thomas Aldridge's name occurs repeatedly as an owner of land in the Proprietor's Records (Dedham), and Mathias Ockinton had several parcels of land, including 2 acres "neer Rosemary Plaine Pond," also land in "Burch Meadow," and "neer the Sloughs on the north side of the way that leads from the great plain to Dewings." Ockinton also had "the other perceill being five acres more or less upland and part Swamp as it lyeth neer North Hill as it is bounded and marked abutting upon the land of Thomas Aldridg Deceased towards the west and upon wast land on all other parts."

This 5 acre lot is according to town records for December 4 and 25, 1711, what is now the eastern portion, on Nehoiden Street, of the estate on which the writer lives. Thomas "Aldridg" had 2 acres "of swampy upland, at North Hill" "wast land East" in 1674. Although I can find no deed of any of the heirs of Mr. Aldridge of the land in which I am interested, a careful study of the subject, and evidence which limited space excludes from this article, inclines me to think that the Rev. Jonathan Townsend's house stood on land formerly owned by Thomas Aldridge.

No will or settlement of Mr. Townsend's estate is recorded, but in 1762 there was an agreement of his heirs according to the Probate index, but a note says "no record" and no such paper appears to be on file. It is probable that this agreement, or an unrecorded deed, eliminated the rights of the son Lieut. Samuel Townsend, as he seems to have had no interest in his father's lands when they were sold by the other heirs.

Mr. Townsend had about 20 acres of outlands, Rev. Samuel West, his successor, added 21 1-2 acres, Mr. Thomas Hubbard Townsend about 11 acres, and Rev. Stephen Palmer 23 acres, making the latter's landed estate about 65 acres, although at his decease he owned but 50 acres according to the inventory. Much of this land is on

North Hill, or is meadow. It is a singular fact that most of the outlands acquired by the successive owners of the Townsend house went with the home place till 1837.

From 1720 to 1800 the home place consisted of 8 acres, but in the latter year the Rev. Mr. Palmer purchased 2 1-2 acres on the east from Timothy Smith, administrator of Ebenezer Newell, whose large farm joined Mr. Palmer's. To the south of the ministerial homestead was the great Kingsbury farm, which in the time of Deacon Timothy Kingsbury is said to have extended a mile on both sides of what is now Great Plain Avenue, from the present Central Avenue, then Fisher's Meeting Road, to where the Baptist Church stands.

After Mr. Palmer's death his widow and eldest daughter remained in the house, which was also occupied by Mr. Palmer's successor in the ministry, Rev. William Ritchie, and family, till Mr. R. removed to the Amos Fuller house which he purchased. In 1827 Mrs. Palmer, daughter Catharine, and son Dr. Joseph Palmer, sold the place to Rufus Mills, who had married Sarah Eames Palmer, a daughter of the Rev. Stephen Palmer. Mr. Mills was a great grandson of the Rev. Jonathan Townsend, the first minister, his parents being Lemuel and Esther (Kingsbury) Mills, the latter a daughter of Capt. Caleb and Esther (Townsend) Kingsbury.

At the time of the purchase of the Townsend house Mr. Mills already owned 18 acres adjoining, formerly land of Ebenezer Newell, and in 1837 conveyed to Royal McIntosh 30 acres with the buildings. Mr. McIntosh made radical changes in the house, among which were the substitution of a hip roof for the pitch roof, and the removal of the chimney and fire-place, with a large closet at either hand, from the east side of the east room on the ground floor. Mr. McIntosh built a new chimney and fire-place on the south side of this room, and lowered the ceiling, covering the ancient beam. On the southwest corner of

his land he built a new house, removing thence from the Townsend house some of the old single-panel doors with brass latches, also windows, etc. The new house with 3-4 of an acre of land was sold by Mr. McIntosh to Isabella Mann in 1839, and has been for many years the home of Walter Bowers.

In 1840 Mr. McIntosh sold to George Revere what remained of the home place, and 4 acres anciently Ockinton land, that he bought of Rufus Mills, in all 13 3-4 acres (the deeds call it 14 3-4), which with 5 acres purchased in 1880 by myself, from the Kingsbury farm, is the acreage of the estate to-day. The large ancient barn has heavy oak timbers, and is presumably the original barn. It is certainly upwards of a century old.

The present occupant of the Townsend house, the writer of this article, has been singularly identified with ancient houses. The historic Lee Mansion, built in 1660, on Brattle Street, Cambridge, the second oldest house in that city, was his birthplace, and he is part owner, by inheritance, of the oldest house in Cambridge, the Cooper-Hill-Frost-Austin house, built by his ancestor, Deacon John Cooper, in 1657. (My maternal ancestors were selectmen of the Town of Cambridge 122 years, assessors 112 years, and deacons of the First Church there about 90 years.)

Of the earlier occupants of the Townsend house, Gregory Townsend, the royalist, son of the Rev. Jonathan Townsend, went into exile at Halifax during the Revolutionary War, was prominent in that place, and apparently never returned to New England. He was living in July, 1798, when his nephew, Gregory Townsend of Medfield, "Sadler," conveyed to Gregory Townsend of "Hallifax in the province of Nova Scotia Esq^r," his interest in a house and lot of land in the centre of Medfield. On June 17, 1799, the exile's relatives, who were also his "heirs & residuary legatees," deeded their interest in this house

and land to Sara Townsend, singlewoman, who lived on the premises. The house had been the home of her father, the Rev. Jonathan Townsend, the younger. It is said in the Cheney Genealogy that the estate of Gregory Townsend of Halifax was settled by his grandnephew, Asa Kingsbury of Needham. There is nothing in the probate offices of Suffolk or Norfolk Counties relative to this estate, and it must have been administered on in the British dominions.

In the old days many people went to the minister's house to be married, but the marriages in the families of the occupants were not numerous, neither were there many births or deaths. The seven children of Rev. Jonathan Townsend were born here, presumably three of his daughters were married in this house, and here he and his wife and their daughter Sarah died. Possibly their daughter, Mrs. Jane Butler, also died here, as she is buried in Needham.

Rev. Samuel West's four children, Priscilla, Samuel, Nathan Plimpton and Benjamin were born here, as was a daughter of Thomas Hubbard and Esther (Newell) Townsend, Mariann H., born April 20, 1792. This Mr. Townsend gave the First Church in Needham, November 21, 1783, a cloth for the communion table, and November 29, 1810, the Church passed a vote of thanks for a silver tankard, which had been received from the late Thomas Hubbard Townsend of Weston. On April 8, 1833, the Church voted to sell this tankard, and that Mr. Townsend's name "be inscribed on some article of plate now used of equal value." Two of the cups originally purchased by the Parish in 1816 are inscribed as the gift of Mr. Townsend.

The Rev. Stephen Palmer, A. M., had four children, all born in this house, viz.:—

CATHARINE, b. April 5, 1795; m. (in this house) Edward Renouf of Boston.

JOSEPH, b. Oct. 3, 1796.

SARAH EAMES, b. Sept. 8, 1799; m. (in this house) Rufus Mills, and five of her nine children were born here, viz.:

Rufus Haven Mills, b. March 19, 1826; m. Harriet Sophia Fairbanks, and lived the last years of his life in the old Fairbanks house at Dedham. His only child died in her second year.

Sarah Eames Mills, b. June 27, 1828; m. Isaac Martin Kingsbury of Needham.

Dexter Townsend Mills, b. April 26, 1830; died in Boston recently.

William Ritchie Mills, b. Nov. 29, 1832. Resides in Sitka, Alaska.

Edward Augustus Mills, b. April 20, 1835. Now of South Leeds, Me.

JASON HAVEN, b. May 1, 1802; d. in Maryland, 1823, while employed by Rufus Mills who had a store at Charlotte Hall, St. Mary's County.

Mr. Palmer, and his wife's mother, Catharine (Dexter) Haven, widow of Rev. Jason Haven, died in this house. Mrs. Palmer lived in Dedham during her latter years.

Mr. George Revere had one child born here, Georgianna, born November 11, 1844, died in this house in infancy, and two of his daughters were married here. Mr. Revere, his wife, and a son, Orlando F., died here.

In the winter of 1872-3, Mr. H. H. Horton lived in this house during the absence of the owner's family, and a child of his was born here. Mrs. Martha Anne (Kuhn) Clarke, mother of the writer, died here September 30, 1891.

As I sit at "Parson Palmer's window," I am often, particularly in the evening, reminded of the lines of Longfellow.

From that chamber, clothed in white,
The bride came forth on her wedding night;
There, in that silent room below,
The dead lay in his shroud of snow;

* * *

We have no title-deeds to house or lands;
Owners and occupants of earlier dates
From graves forgotten stretch their dusty hands,
And hold in mortmain still their old estates.

INDIANS IN MEDFIELD.¹

BY W. S. TILDEN.

There are no indications upon the town records that the aborigines continued to live about here very much after the Indian wars were over; and it is not probable that many of them did so, though there were a considerable number at Natick and thereabouts. Still, tradition preserves the fact that a few of that race remained about here.

An Indian boy named Joseph Brooks was brought up by Eliakim Morse of this town, and enlisted as a soldier in the French and Indian war. He took small-pox while at Crown Point, came home and died of the disease. He was buried, with others, at a place in "Rocky Woods," known as "the graves."

The writer remembers an old lady telling him when a little child that her mother said that there were at one time within her day Indians living in "Pine Swamp." She was born in 1731, and lived at the place on South Street which belonged to the late W. R. Smith. In those days the Indians used occasionally to come out of the swamp and to the house. In order to drive them away the whites would call out "Hock-a-mocker, Hock-a-mocker," which she said was the word used to designate the evil spirit; and when the Indians heard it they would run in great fear back to their hiding places in the swamp.

¹ From the collections of the Medfield Historical Society.

There is an old paper dated 1749, in which complaint is made by one Deborah Awansemug, wife of Thomas Awansemug of Medfield, Indian planter, that her said husband has several times within a week past threatened to kill her and one of her children, and several other persons in Medfield. The complainant made oath before Henry Adams, Justice of the peace, that she was afraid of her life, and that her said husband would kill her according to his threatening. The officers were directed to apprehend the said Thomas. What became of Deborah Awansemug and her tender spouse does not appear.

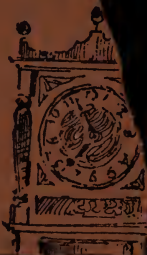
While the Indian settlement at Natick continued, some of the tribe were occasionally travelling through the neighboring towns. One old Indian used to come through here, interested in picking up items of news. At that time there lived in the centre of the town, one John Fisher, who had married a second wife, and with whom he did not live in peace and harmony. One day the old Indian came along, and it was soon after a pretty serious misunderstanding at the Fisher homestead. Somehow he had heard of it, and so came along the street in great glee, accosting those he met with "John Fisher, his wife, lick her again, I hear!"

Moses Hendrick was one of these travelling Indians, large, powerful, and sometimes quarrelsome. It is said that he once held one of our townsmen out at arm's length with one hand, and that he could lift a barrel of cider over the sides into a wagon. He once came to Phineas Allen's with a new wife to spend the night. In the evening he played a fiddle, and played so much that his wife became tired of it, so she took it, threw it on the floor and broke it. Hendrick said nothing, but quietly picked up the pieces, and then knocked her down. Mr. Allen dared not interfere, so left them and went to bed in an adjoining room, where he heard Hendrick telling his wife how ashamed he was of her behavior. They slept on the floor

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in front of the open fireplace. In the morning, he told her to go to the brook and wash the blood from her face. After breakfast they went on. At one time eighteen of these strollers came along and spent the night in the barn. Men are now living here who remember these incidents.

The last Indian resident of the town was Lucy Bran, who as early, at least, as 1785, owned a small house on W. Main Street. Lucy was a tall, gaunt woman, with dark, piercing eyes. She occupied much of her time in weaving homespun cloth; she seems to have supported herself by her own industry, and to have lived a respected life among our citizens. Her old bible is in the possession of our Historical Society, and her signature in a creditable hand is preserved in our collection of autographs. Her room was kept very neatly, and she generally had a few "posies" in the window. She was apparently a regular attendant at the old parish church, sitting in the gallery, where, according to the custom of the times, seats were set apart for colored people. This last Medfield resident of the aboriginal stock died in 1835, aged 87 years.

THE SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS OF DEDHAM.

BY CARLOS SLAFTER.

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FROM 1847 till 1850 the primary department of the First Middle School was under the instruction of Emily Adams Eveleth, a very earnest and attractive teacher. She was the daughter of Henry Prentiss and Rachel (Adams) Eveleth of West Roxbury, where she was educated. Her first work as a teacher was in Dover. She died at her home in West Roxbury, Oct. 8, 1850.

In 1847 and 1848 Elizabeth Nichols Nye had charge of the summer grammar school in West Dedham. In the summer of 1850 she taught in the Second Middle; then in the First Middle, second division, till 1852. She was a very efficient teacher, strong in discipline, and thorough in instruction. She was the daughter of Bonum and Pamela (Abbott) Nye, born Nov. 18, 1824, in North Brookfield. Her education was received at a Young Ladies' Boarding School in West Brookfield, and at Williston Seminary, Easthampton. Before coming to Dedham she had taught schools in Paxton and New Braintree, and probably in other towns. Sept. 8, 1852, she was married in North Brookfield to Jonathan Chase, a native of Paxton, and went to reside at Manville, in the town of Lincoln, R. I., where she died March 16, 1875, leaving a husband, three daughters and one son.

In the summer of 1844, the Balch School, south district of the South Parish, was taught by Louisa Tolman, a native of Sharon. She was the daughter of William and Mary (Swift) Tolman, born Dec. 9, 1826; and was educated at East Bridge-water Academy. She first taught in Norton, summer of 1842, also in North Sharon, 1845 and 1847; then in West Stoughton, summer of 1847. November 19, 1848, she was married to Charles Jones, of Stoughton, by the Rev. L. R. Phillips of Sharon. She still resides in Stoughton where, in a very pleasant interview, the above facts of her history were obtained.

Mary Dwinell Chellis had charge of the Second Middle School in the summer of 1845. She was of Goshen, N. H., born Feb. 13, 1826, the daughter of Seth and Myra (Gilbert) Chellis. Her education was received in the Lowell High School, where she completed the full course of studies. On the 17th of June, 1877, she was married to Stephen Francis Lund, of Newport, N. H., where she resided till her death, June 2, 1891. Many years of her life were devoted to authorship, during which she wrote forty volumes of Sunday school and temperance literature besides a large number of articles for periodicals, thereby exerting a wide and salutary influence.

For many years the name of John Nelson Stevens was connected with the schools of Dedham. He took charge of the Walpole Corner School in 1849; afterwards of the Everett School in South Dedham; still later the Avery and the Damon. Giving up teaching after an experience of over thirty years, he engaged in the dry goods trade at Readville, Hyde Park. He was the son of William Lacy and Martha (Piper) Stevens, born in Haverhill, N. H., June 22, 1816. Public and private schools of Rumney, N. H., and the New Hampton, N. H., Institute, furnished his education; but a naturally clear and vigorous intellect gave character to his teaching, which was always thorough and void of all pretence. He was united in marriage to Elvira Catherine Cram, of Rumney, March 1, 1842. Both Mr. and Mrs. Stevens had valuable experience as teachers of New Hampshire schools before coming to Dedham. He died in Hyde Park, November 12, 1891.

The Second Middle Summer School of 1848 had two teachers, Augusta W. Mulliken, of Lexington, graduate of the Normal School at West Newton, taught one month. The term was completed by her Normal classmate, Mary Elizabeth Cotton, of Boston, the daughter of Solomon and Susan G. Cotton, and now, (1898,) living at 28 Shepard Street, Cambridge. These teachers both graduated at the Framingham (then W. Newton) Normal School in May, 1847.

Though he taught the school but one winter, 1847-8, there is still a pleasant remembrance of David Atwood in West Dedham. His quiet, reasonable ways, made his work very acceptable. He is the son of David C. and Abigail Atwood, of Eastham, born April 20, 1821; and was educated at Holliston Academy, and the Bridgewater Normal School. From 1848 to 1853 he taught the Bunker Hill Grammar School, Charlestown. In July 1848, he married, in Lynn, Lucy J. Bowler, who died in December, 1849: In June, 1851, married in Upton, Electa J. Stoddard, who died in June, 1870: In May, 1872, married Achsah L. Maynard, who died in February, 1884. In October, 1853, he

became cashier of the Millbury Bank, but resigned in 1872: assisted in organizing the Millbury Savings Bank in 1854, became treasurer thereof, and held that office till November, 1897: also held the office of treasurer of the town of Millbury thirty years, and is still a resident there.

In the summer of 1848 Mrs. Sarah Piper (Stevens) Cram taught in the South District of the South Parish, and the next two summers had charge of the school at Walpole Corner. She was the daughter of William Lacy and Martha (Piper) Stevens of Rumney, New Hampshire; was educated at the Mt. Holyoke Seminary; and married at Rumney, Oct. 9, 1842, Artemas Brooks Cram, who died in 1845. By a second marriage, Nov. 6, 1851, she became the wife of John Elijah Bullard, and resided in Medfield, where she died Oct. 19, 1885, having been "a patient, devoted wife, and a kind, loving mother."

About 1848, Miss Caroline Baker Colburn taught the school at Walpole Corner. She was the daughter of Ellis and Celia (Baker) Colburn, born in 1827, and was united in marriage to Reuben P. Davis, of Waltham, May 9, 1849.

In the winter of 1848-9, the West Dedham School was in charge of Sylvester Scott, as was also the Mill School from May 7, to Aug. 3, 1849. He was born in Ashland, New Hampshire, the son of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Phillips) Scott, and graduated at the Westfield Normal School in 1846 or 7. He left Dedham in 1849 to become a teacher in that school, continuing there only one year. He married Lydia Noble Moseley of Westfield, and for a number of years they successfully conducted the Young Ladies' Institute, in Alexandria, Va. When the war broke out they suffered great loss; came to Boston, and taught in the school for physical training, in charge of Dr. Dio Lewis. At Dr. Lewis's death, Mr. Scott became principal of the school. Owing to ill health he removed to Beverly, and in search of health visited his old home in Ashland, N. H., where he died June 18, 1865. His widow died in Montana. A Westfield correspondent says: "Mr. Scott was a Christian gentleman, and has many friends in this place."

(To be continued.)

EPITAPHS FROM THE OLD BURYING GROUND, WEST MEDWAY.

COPIED BY HERBERT N. HIXON.

(Continued from page 31.)

88. In memory of an Infant child Dautr. of Stephen Metcalf & Hiphzibah his Wife who died in ye birth Septembr ye 2nd 1771.

89. In memory of Mr. Amos Clark who died May the 28th 1787 in ye 57th year of his age.

90. In memory of Hannah Clark wife of Amos Clark she Died sep^r 26, 1766 in ye 34 Year of her age.

91. In memory of Lieut Nathaniel Clark who died May 30th 1780 Aged 75 Years.

92. Here Lies ye Body of Samuel Clark son of Lieutnt. Nathaniel Clark & M^{rs} Ester his wife dec^d febr^y 12th 1754 Aged 14 years and 9 months.

These words he said Prepare for Death and follow me.

93. In memory of Mrs. Ester Clark wife of Lieut Nathaniel Clark who died March 24. 1770 Aged 60 Years.

94. In memory of Mr Simeon Clark jⁿ who died Feb. 2. 1798 In his 29th year. Also Mrs. Sally Clark & her child wife & child of Mr Simeon Clark jr who died Jun 6 1795 In her 23^d Year.

95. In memory of Mr. Sullivan Clark who died Aug 4. 1829. At 28.

Heaven kind hath called thee hence away,
To yon bright world where shines eternal day
Not slow mine eye to drop a tear nor slow my heart
To feel a paining as we assunder part.

96. In memory of Mr Joseph Clark who died Jan. 19. 1804 In his 31st year.

Friends nor physicians could not save,
My mortal body from the grave;
Nor can the grave confine me here
When Christ shall call me to appear.

97. In memory of Mrs. Eunice Clark wife of Mr Joseph Clark who died August 6th 1848 In her 49th year.

Adiew my children dear a long adiew.
On earth I could no longer stay with you,
May virtue and piety be your practice here,
And at length in heaven may we all appear.

98. In memory of Richard Puffer son of Mr. Richard Puffer & Mrs Jemima his wife Deceased Nov^{br} 20 1756 Aged 2 yrs 11^{ms} & 24 days.

99. Josiah Gregory 1759. [Foot stone.]

100. In memory of Capt Job Plimton who died March 18th 1797 Aet 79.

Mrs Ester Plimton wife of Capt Job Plimton died Feb. 15th 1797
Aet 74.

Children of J & Ester Plimton.

Timothy died	Nov. 11 }		Aet. 8
Ester	Oct 30 }	1756	6
Mary	Nov. 10 }		4
Eliza	July 21 }		10 days.
Mercy 3 at a birth	July 11 }	1755	
Silence			

101. In Memory of Mr. Ichabod Haws who Died Dec. ye 18. 1777 in the 58 year of his age.

102. In Memory of Kezia Haws Second wife of Ichabod Haws who died Oct^{br} ye 28. 1772 in ye 32nd Year of her age.

103. In memory of Elizabeth Haws wife of Mr. Ichabod Haws who died Oct^{br} 30. 1766 in ye 45 Year of her Age.

104. Here—Body—Dau. of—Haws & Elizabeth his wife—
January 27—6 Years—& 3 Days.

105. In Memory of Hephzibah Haws Daughr. of Ichabod Haws & Elizabeth his wife who died Jan^{ry} ye 2nd 1763 In the 8th yr. of her age.

106. In Memory of Mr. Nathan Fisher Junr. who died Oct. 17th 1776 in ye 30th Year of his Age. In Memory of 3 Children of Mr. Nathan & Mrs Rachel Fisher

Elias Died April 22^d 1767 one Month Old

Silas Died Sept 10th 1773 in his 2nd Year.

Elias Died Sept 25th 1775 in his 8th Year.

107. In memory of Mr. Amos Richardson who died April 6th 1822 In his 80 year.

Here lies the husband and a parent dear
In sweet repose till Jesus doth appear.

108. In Memory of Mrs Phebe Richardson Wife of Mr. Amos Richardson of Medway Who died Apr. 30. 1796 In the 53 Year of her Age.

Friends & Physicians could not save
My mortal body from the grave,
Nor can ye grave confine me here
I shall arise when Christ commands me to appear.

109. In memory of Miss Phebe Johnson, daughtr. of Mr. David & Mrs Phebe Johnson who died Dec 25th 1816. In her 14th year.

Beneath those clods in silent sleep,
Behold her body lies ;
Surviving friends forbear to weep,
For virtue never dies

110. In memory of Mrs Mary Ann Staples wife of Mr John Staples who died April 25th 1823 Aged 23 years.

Farewell my child and partner dear,
I've left this world of pain ;
May virtue be your practice here
Till we do meet again.

111. In Memory of Mrs Sally Kibbe Wife of Mr Isaac Kibbe Jr. who died May 8. 1822. Æt 42 years.

112. In Memory of David Wheaton who died Febr^y 3th 1793 in the 88 Year of his Age.

I am not lost my dust shall rise
When the great Trumpet Shakes the skies.

113. Here lies Elizabeth wife of Mr Seth Allen and Mary his wife, who died Janry yg 25th 1780 in ye 2nd year of his age.

115. Here lies Lidea, the wife of Benajah Harding who died Febr^y ye 22th 1790 in ye 21st year of her age.

116. In Memory of Betty Relict of Mr. Asa Clark, who died dec^r 17, 1815 in the 83th year of her age.

117. In Memory of Mrs Lydia Daughter of Mr Asa Clark & Mrs Betty his wife, who died Jan ye 4. 1792. Aged 25 years.

Consider my Friends
Wipe off your tears
I must lie here
Till Christ appears.

118. In Memory of Mr Asa Clark who died dec^r 23. 1810 in the 80th year of his Age.

119. In Memory of Mary Clark dau^{tr} of Mr Asa Clark & Mrs Betty his wife who died Dec^r the 24th 1756 Aged 16 years 2 months & 24 days.

120. In Memory of Lucretia Daugh^{tr} of Nath. Partridge & Mehetabel his wife she Died Oct. 14. 1764. Aged 5 Months & 8 days.

121. In memory of Sarah Partridge daugh^{tr} of Nath. Partridge & Mehetabel his wife she died January 7. 1766 in ye 6th year of her age.

122. In Memory of Deborah Daughter of Nathaniel Partridge & Mehetabel his wife she died May 7. 1786 in the 8th year of her age.

123. In memory of Mrs Martha Clark Relict of Mr James Clark who died May 5, 1810 Æt 71.

The rising morn can not ensue
That we shall end the day.

124. In Memory of Mr James Clark Jun who died December ye 19, 1786 in ye 62 Year of his Age.

125. In Memory of Miss Sarah Clark who died July the 25th 1785 in ye 26th year of her age.

126. In memory of Mr Joseph Clark who died July ye 26th 1779 in ye 19th Year of his Age.

127. In memory of Mrs Mary w^d, of Mr James Clark who died Decem^r, ye 28. 1775 in ye 79th year of her age.

128. In Memory of Mr James Clark who died June Ye 13 1768 in the 81st Year of his Age.

129. In Memory of Mrs Rachel Clark Deceased Mar 2nd 1758 in the 76 year of her age.

130. In memory of Mr James Clark, 3rd who died Febr. ye 16. 1788 in ye 24th year of his age.

(To be continued.)

BIRTHS IN STOUGHTONHAM (NOW SHARON).

BY WILLIAM R. MANN.

(Continued from page 35.)

- Harriet Caroline Billings, dau. of Sanford and Phebe, Feb. 13, 1839.
 Mary Littlefield Billings, dau. of Sanford and Phebe, Nov. 3, 1840.
 Clarissa H. Johnson, dau. of Uriah and Relief, January 23, 1836.
 Mary Ann Johnson, dau. of Uriah any Relief, October 26, 1838.
 Susan Johnson, dau. of Uriah and Relief, October 9, 1840.
 Lydia Elizabeth Johnson, dau. of Uriah and Relief, February 4, 1843.
 Roxanna Talbot, dau. of Charles and Clarissa, April 5, 1837.
 Lucy Talbot, dau. of Charles and Clarissa, April 5, 1838.
 John Davis Talbot, son of Charles and Clarissa, May 7, 1840.
 George Porter Plimpton, son of George and Mary, February 10, 1831.
 Mary Jane Plimpton, dau. of George and Mary, December 29, 1833.
 George Henry Plimpton, son of George and Mary, August 3, 1834.
 Josephine Plimpton, dau. of George and Mary, November 6, 1836.
 Emily Frances Plimpton, dau. of George and Mary, Sept. 14, 1838.
 Eunice Tolman Plimpton, dau. of George and Mary, Oct. 17, 1840.
 Charles Porter Plimpton, son of George and Mary, January 14, 1843.
 Helen M. Hixson, dau. of Richard W. and Myra, January 31, 1843.
 Charles Alfred Hixson, son of Richard W. and Myra, June 9, 1841.
 Albert Pettee, son of Jarvis P. and Elizabeth, July 6, 1842.
 Benjamin Rhoades, son of Benjamin and Hannah, October 12, 1808.
 Emeline Rhoades, dau. of Benjamin and Hannah, March 24, 1811.
 Hannah G. Rhoades, dau. of Benjamin and Hannah, Jan. 7, 1814.
 Charles E. Rhoades, son of Benjamin and Hannah, June 14, 1821.
 Francis E. Rhoades, son of Benjamin and Hannah, March 12, 1827.
 Maria Jane Harlow, dau. of Benjamin F. and Maria Ann (Dunbar)
 May 26, 1843.
 Frederick Norton Tirrell, son of Doct Norton Quincy and Susan Jane
 (French), June 30, 1843.
 Henry Harrison Gay, son of George Washington and Eunice L. (Dew-
 ing), July 21, 1843.
 Helen Maria Richards, dau. of Lewis and Anna A. S. (),
 August 9, 1843.
 [] Daniel Thompson and wife, August 10, 1843.
 Rebecca Jane Billings, dau. of Lewis 2d and Elizabeth Ellis (Billings),
 August 22, 1843.
 Artemas Alonzo Capen, son of Thomas and Susan (Richards), August
 27, 1843.
 Abby Louisa Lothrop, dau. of Gilbert and Asseneth (), Sep-
 tember 2, 1843.
 Charles Henry Estey, son of Elijah and Harriet (Hixson), Sept. 29, 1843.
 Sarah Olive Johnson, dau. of Lucas and Maria (), Sept. 30, 1843.

- Emma Elizabeth Gould, dau. of Jeremiah and Mary (Capen), October 8, 1843.
- Harrison Tisdale Fuller, son of Warren and Elizabeth B. (Smith), October 17, 1843.
- Herbert Lyman Hewins, son of Lyman and Emily (Morey), October 30, 1843.
- Ellen Marena Weld, dau. of George A. and Phebe (), November 23, 1843.
- Susan Maria Johnson, dau. of Albert and Matilda (Buckman), December 16, 1843.
- Lorenzo Hewins, son of Benjamin and Sarah Ann (Cheney), December 25, 1843.
- Albert Gould, son of Lewis and Betsey Blake, June 15, 1843.
- George Samuel Fuller, son of Samuel Gould and Elizabeth (), November 5, 1843.
- Eugene Capen Plimpton, son of Lyman and Louisa (Capen), February 26, 1844.
- Alfred Talbot, son of Charles and Clarissa (Gunn), March 18, 1844.
- Alice Marion Gay, dau. of Warren and Olive (Hewins), March 24, 1844.
- Ellen Susannah Patch, dau. of Rev. George Whitney and Silence Jordan (), March 26, 1844.
- Enoch Fuller, son of Otis and Catherine (Hewins), April 16, 1844.
- Mary Ann Hewins, dau. of Aaron and Mary Ann (Waters), April 29, 1844.
- Margaret Richards, dau. of Moses Jr. and Mary, February 6, 1844.
- Franklin Baker, son of William and Amelia, June 20, 1843.
- Jeremiah Richards, son of Erastus and Rowena Caroline (Johnson), May 30, 1844.
- Frances Louisa Whiting, dau. of Philip B. and Hannah H., Nov. 6, 1844.
- Helen Elizabeth Phillips, dau. of Rev. Lebbeus R. and Sussannah (Goddard), May 24, 1844.
- Susan Maria Adams, dau. of James M. and Susan, June 10, 1844.
- [] Snow, son of Samuel N. and Angeline, Aug. 6, 1844.
- Henry Francis Talbot, son of Solomon and Emily E. (Hawes), Sept. 17, 1844.
- [] Holmes, dau. of Joseph and Emeline (Smith,) October 22, 1844.
- Charles Webster Leonard, son of Benjamin S. and Esther L. (Smith), Nov. 1, 1844.
- [] Talbot, son of Asa and Elizabeth, Dec. 25, 1844.
- Ida Frances Whittemore, dau. of Oliver H. and Frances M. (Bullard), January 29, 1845.
- [] Monk, dau. of Ziba and Eunice (Hewins), March 3, 1845.
- Mary Adelaide Holmes, dau. of Warren and Ann S. (Gay), March 4, 1845.
- Benjamin Francis Rhoades, son of Benjamin Jr. and Ann M., March 15, 1845.

- Amanda (?) Thompson, dau. of John P. and Harriet (Drake), March 17, 1845.
- Herbert Sylvester Capen, son of Thomas and Susan (Richards), April 13, 1845.
- Caroline Augusta Richards, dau. of Willard and Sylvia L., April 18, 1845.
- Willard and William Johnson, twin sons of Uriah and Relief, April 28, 1845.
- Charles Quincy Tirrell, son of Doct. Norton Quincy and Susan Jane (French), Dec. 10, 1844.
- Charlotte Augusta Cobb, dau. of Nathan and Hannah C. (Morey), Dec. 7, 1844.
- Cynthia Clementine Baker, dau. of Phineas and Alzada (Howard), Nov. 10, 1844.
- Frederick Morse, son of Jedediah.
- Edmund Hart Hewins, son of Joel P. and Sarah Jane (Dunbar), Dec. 23, 1845.
- Alphonso Raynolds, son of Benjamin F. and Lucy Ann (Whitney), Dec. 12, 1845.
- Evelyn Hewins, dau. of Charles and Lucy (Drake), Oct. 1, 1845.
- Clara Louisa Richards, dau. of Lewis and Anna A. S., Nov. 11, 1845.
- William Winchester, son of Moses W. and Martha Abby Emery, Oct. 4, 1845.
- George Herbert Gay, son of George W. and Eunice L., Aug. 25, 1845.
- Laura Philena Brown, dau. of Daniel W. and Statira G. C. (Morey), March 7, 1846.
- Jesse Leonard Billings, son of Sanford and Phebe (Littlefield), Oct. 13, 1845.
- Mary Frances Estey, dau. of Jeremiah and Mary Frances (Sprague), January 21, 1846.
- Hannah Frances Leonard, dau. of Nathaniel and Hannah (), February 4, 1846.
- Edmund Gray Cobb, son of Nathan and Hannah (Morey), March 2, 1846.
- [] son of Miss Susan Johnson, November 23, 1845.
- [] dau. of Gilbert Bradford Leonard, April 9, 1846.
- [] Talbot, Charles and Clarissa () Nov. 3, 1845.
- Lewis Frederic Smith Plimpton, son of Lyman and Louisa (Capen), Sept. 19, 1845.
- Benjamin Webster Fuller, son of Benjamin P. and Harriet, March 11, 1846.
- Walter S. Plimpton, son of George and Mary (Tolman), May 11, 1845.
- Isabella Josephine Richards, dau. of Erastus and Rowenna Caroline (Johnson), Feb. 5, 1847.
- Charles S. Curtis, son of Rufus and Louisa (Morey), May 8, 1846.
- Charles Augustus Hixson, son of Charles and Sarah Ellis (Morse), July 3, 1846.
- Josephine Maria Whittemore, dau. of Oliver H. and Frances M. (Bulard), June 15, 1846.

Ellen Frances Adams, dau. of James M. and Susan (), Aug. 26, 1846.

Ada Henrietta Harlow, dau. of Benjamin F. and Maria (Dunbar), Oct. 12, 1846.

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EXTRACTS FROM THE AMES DIARY.

BY EDNA FRANCES CALDER.

(*Continued from page 27.*)

1800.

It was at the May session 1798 at Boston the infamous suggestion was made so shockingly contradictory to the '75 men. Authors of Independence "That the principle of Rights of Man, and the People's sovereignty has demoralized the human mind" This baneful brat of our second Revolution in '88 is polish'd by an artful application to Europe, as if the human mind there was not the same as here, & subject to similar affection on like occasion, and here it is certain that on adopting that principle at our emerging from the abject state of slaves or subjects to the noble station of citizens we felt our minds moraliz'd with impulse to support the dignity of the noblest work of God.

JANUARY.

1. Nancy Payson came Maid. 3s pr week, untill she can get higher wages.
2. All the Gazettes still crowded with Accounts of the Parade & Pomp of Woe on Washington's death & celebrating his Apotheosis ! in preference of that of Christ in N. Jersey!!!
5. Boniface & Imelda affecting Hist. of Bologna. Adams Defense Constitution.
8. Genl. Court sit.
9. Fedl Register Deeds, a trapstick under State officer but People wont see.
10. Contest between different routes of Mid. post road to Hartford in Gen Court.
12. Lathrop blown out as Clerk.
Horatio Townsend Cl'k C. P. by Judges of Supr. Court.
From Chas. Holt rec'd 1st No. of new polit^l Paper Virg^a excellent! Call'd "Friend to the People."
13. Sleys go on wheels.
15. Swore Isau Phillips a Recruit Lt Rolston.
16. Judge Dana, a few years past insulted a man he invited to dine by turning him out of the Company into his Kitchen, quere his name?
25. New Revolution in France 10th Nov^r Buonaparte got all power.
26. Tho^s Fleet orders National Magazine for Dr L. of Berwick.
27. Read Clery's acct of Louis 16th in prison.
29. This Ink froze in warm Case last night.
31. The Letter from George Nicholas of Kentucky to his friend in Virginia ought to be read like the bible in every family, sent to Selectmen of every town in the Eastern States, & forc'd on jurymen to be considered!

Those Names of the House of Congress with S. added for standing army in Peace on Nicholas's motion to disband Jan'y 10th 1800.

Massachusetts.

H. G. Otis S	Geo Thacher S
Sam ^l Lyman S	Theo Sedgwick S
Sam ^l Sewall S	Dw. Foster S
Baily Bartlet S	Peleg Wadsworth S
W Shepherd S	Silas Lee S
John Reed S	Lem Williams S
Jos. B. Varnum	Phan ^l Bishop

FEBRUARY.

1. Rec'd from Ch. Holt 3^d No. National Mag & 3 addit^l Lets. 91 sheets.
2. Jn^o Metcalfs note to Jab. Wight p^d 16 & int. 2 Feb. '99.
3. Rain drives in back window.
4. Rec^d 12 Friends of the Peop^e, a present from Ch. Holt.
6. N. Kingsbury borrowed G. Nicholas's Letter on Alien Sedit.
8. Observations on Insanity wrote 1798 by John Haslam Apoth'y Bethlem hospital London, excellent.
9. Furious snow storm hinders Meeting.
10. Mid post road thro' Dedham carried in H. Rep's by 24 maj'y.
11. S J. C. sit here.
12. Nancy Payson departed service.
15. A Dozen papers call'd the "Friend of the People" sent me to go N. & E. I have dispers'd also one of my own. But a Federalist tells me it will recoil on the Authors Republicanism & hurt Republicans by telling the truth too plain.
20. Venires, dated 10th, is^d for P Jurors Sessions, sent by Grant Learned to Sh^{ff}.
22. Bell & Cannon W's Apotheosis Dedham &c. Standing Army paraded.
- Wm Paul's barn burn't by going in with a candle.
23. Let J. Crehore have my Friend of the People a paper.
24. Sent Ch Holt 8d with Letter by Mr. Ferol.
25. Wid of Capt. D. Fuller buried.
26. house burnt.

MARCH.

1. Violent snow storm vast banks appear in morning of 1st March. Nouvelle Rhetorique a l'usage desjeunes Demoiselles hath excellent examples of speeches in the National Assembly & their best writers. And Mr de Cazale's speech in defence of minorities which will do for all politic Assemblies exceeds all comparison.
- Mr Cazales speech is applicable to all politic minorities, is admirable!
2. Sleys run to meeting over great banks & bear ground, bright sun.
3. Town meeting, Voted to mend roads by contract instead of old shambling way.
- Sundry barns burnt by uncover'd Candle Catching fine swingle tow.
4. Justice Vinal of Boston impeach'd & strip'd of his Commission & right of sustaining any, but party spirit work'd.
7. Seaver & Mr. Baxter call'd on me, going Medfield &c.
- Cha^r Pinckney's speeches worth collecting.
10. Charles Pinckney's speech in U. S. Senate partly given in Chronicle this day, excellent, against Non intercourse Law and other arbitrary Acts.

12. Confirmation of Dr. Bullard's treachery to me—in divers ways—by Seaver & Morse &c.
13. Gallatin votes to continue non intercourse with French, how shortsighted am I?
14. Look Deposition for W^m & John Eveleth, of Wheaton.
15. Eliph Fuller buried.
16. Most difficult time of year about fire wood for those that are out as bad travelling hinders it coming to market.
18. Varnum in Congress on 12th inst^t, votes against the Repub^s to put marine Officers above the Civil Authority, with 47 against 44! Now can there be such defection in such a man?
20. Treas^rs Bond fil'd.
21. Finest morn'g, ends like winter.
Buonaparte head of new gov^t, France establish'd Dec^r worse than any yet contriv'd, the people are reduc'd to nothing.
22. Lack of European News.
24. A. D. came again to board & keeps his horse on his hay in my Stable, having been absent biggest part of time since 20th Aug. Law.
25. Dr Bullard's Cheticism (?) comes out in a Letter from E. Seaver, esq.
26. Joel Barlows Letter to Citizens of U. S. strikes the tyrants home.
28. Rec. Pamphlet from Hon. Stev. T. Mason by Mr Dowse.

APRIL.

1. Making road by subscription of above 100 dols, from Calv. Whiting to Bussy's at the bridge where is already better road than any other.
3. Bee ceas'd while Holt under operation of the Gag.
4. Charles Holt before High Fed Court at Newhaven sentenced to a fine of 200 dols & 3 months prison sentenced 11th Inst^t.
7. Votes for Gov^r. Gerry, most here & most towns round Boston.
9. Thomas Cooper an Att'y & man of curious learning who hath published in England fine tracts ethical political &c: before High fed Court at Philadelphia for a true & important Address to his fellow citizens of Northampton County is fined 400 dol. & 6 months prison.
- Sundry other prosecutions for sedition & Treason Against Usurpers!!!
16. Patent Machine for extracting Rocks exhibited, Avery & Draper.
17. Dr John Sprague died phthisis. his Father 29th May. 1797. Rec'd Letter M. Lyon at Congress.
18. Only morning fire necessary now to sit by.
23. Rec'd Aurora with my Ad^s published.
26. Old Cæsar buried.
29. Court Dedham.

(To be continued.)

EPITAPHS FROM A GRAVEYARD IN WESTON.

WITH NOTES.

BY GEORGE KUHN CLARKE, LL. B., of Needham.

IN October, 1897, I copied a few epitaphs in the old graveyard on the Framingham road in Weston, because the inscriptions related to persons more or less connected with Needham.

and since, with the assistance of my neighbor, Mr. Ward Nicholas Hunt, I have carefully compared my manuscript with the originals. I did not note the different styles of lettering, such as script, italics, etc.

There were in 1897, 107 stones and monuments with 108 epitaphs in this graveyard, and two S. A. R. markers, one on the grave of Fiske. The following families have the largest representation: Train (17), Leadbetter (13), and Fiske, Harrington, Hastings, Killsa, Lovewell, Peirce. Seaverns, Spring.

1. (Willow and urn.)

John Bogle | died | Oct. 8, 1810, | in his 84, year

According to the History of Oxford, he was son of Thomas and Esther Bogle, and had a deed from his father of a farm of 73 acres there. Said to have served in 1756 in Col. Lyman's regiment at Fort Edward and Oswego. In 1756-7 he was a sergeant in Capt. Learned's company, and was the John Bogle, 32 years of age, who was in Col. John Chaudler's regiment, under Gen. Amherst in 1758. It has been stated that he was a soldier in the Revolution. He was taxed in Weston from 1771, but was not well off in his latter years.

2. (Willow and urn.)

Mary | Relict of | John Bogle, | died | Aug. 24, 1815, | in her 90; year.
(rosette.)

She was b. Sept. 4, 1725, dau. of Thomas and Lydia Hunkins: m. John Bogle, June 7, 1750. (Hist. of Oxford.)

3. (Willow and urn.)

William | Bogle | died | Oct. 17, 1839, | In his 83. yr

Virtue will never droop and fade,
But long exist beyond the grave.

He was b. March 30, 1757, son of John and Mary (Hunkins) Bogle; was a Lexington alarm soldier from Oxford; with Arnold at Quebec; and at Burgoyne's surrender. As he also served in the war from Newton, an S. A. R. marker has been placed on his grave as that of a Newton soldier.

He was for years a familiar figure in Needham, and was known as Deacon Bogle, although he was a leader among the

Methodists who attended the Hundreds Church. His house, said by Mr. Horace Mann of Natick to be 200 years old, and once the home of the Collar family, is very near the former site of the old Methodist Church, and close to the town line. Part of his farm was in Needham. Bogle Street in Weston derives its name from him. He had a farm in "Sudbury Canada."

From the Weston records I learn that he was a highway surveyor in 1789, 1810, '19, and also collector in 1789. In 1790 he was a field driver, in 1793 a fence viewer, in 1798, 1810, '13, '15, '17, '23, school committee for the fourth district (Southwest), in 1804 a tything man, and 1811 a selectman. He also served on committees to repair roads, etc., and in 1816 on that to build a new schoolhouse in the Southwest district.

He was one of the founders of the "Needham Circuit." His old home is on Blossom Street, but its huge ancient chimney was taken down in 1898.

4. (Willow and urn.)

Mrs Lucy | widow of | William Bogle, | died | Nov. 5, 1846, | *Æt.* 82.

A heart, the sufferer to relieve,
A home for Pilgrims of the Lord;
A long and pious life were hers,
She rests, according to His word.

William Bogle and Lucy Tilton both of Weston, were m. Sept. 21, 1786 (pub. May 7). (Weston T. Rec.)

5. (Willow and urn.)

Mr | Daniel Stimpson | Died | Aug. 2, 1843, | *Æt.* 69

6. (Willow and urn.)

Sally Stimpson, | Relict of | Daniel Stimpson, | died | Aug. 31, 1851, | *Æt.* 77

Daniel Stimpson of Weston and Sally Blodgett of Needham were published, Dec. 11, 1802 (Weston T. Rec.); m. Apr. 7, 1803 (Needham T. Rec.).

According to the Weston T. Rec., the four youngest children of Jeremiah and Elizabeth (Fuller) Stimson, who were m. in Weston, March 30, 1801, were b. in Needham, 1809-16.

7. (Willow and urn.)

Lydia D. | Dau. of Daniel & | Sally Stimpson | Died | Oct. 16, 1831, |
Æt. 19 yrs:

8. (Willow and urn.)

In memory of | Sally, | daughter of Mr Daniel | & Mrs. Sally Stimson; |
who died | Oct. 14, 1825: | Æt. 18.

Farewell, a sudden farewell, a short adieu,
We soon must lie aside of you. *—
Why do you weep dry up your tears,
I must lie here till Christ appears:
My debt is paid, my grave you see,
Prepare yourselves to follow me.

Note the change in the spelling of the surname.

9. (Willow and urn.)

Mrs. | Susan Elizabeth | wife of | Daniel Stimson, | died | Aug. 18, 1846.
| Æt. 22 yrs.

No pain or care, nor anxious fear,
Can reach the lovely sleeper here.

10. (Willow.)

Olin, | Son of Daniel & | Anna Stimson, | died | Sept. 1, 1853, | Æt. 2 ms.
11 ds.

Farewell sweet angel babe,
Thou art gone to dwell in Heaven.

11. (Willow and urn.)

Daniel Stimson, | born | July 11, 1805, | died | Dec. 3, 1875, | Æt. 70 yrs. 4
mo's. | 22 days.

"Parted on earth to meet in
heaven."

12. Esther Harrington | wife of | Benjamin Underwood | Died Jan.
30, 1865. | Aged 93 yrs.

Pub. July 31, 1791, and had five or more children b. in Weston. (Weston T. Rec.) The Underwoods were prominent in "Needham Leg," as were the Goodnows.

13. (Willow and urn.)

Hannah | wife of | John Goodnow, | died | Apr. 25, 1818, | in her 55, yr.

14. (Urn.)

ERECTED | In memory of | Cap^t Benaiah Morse | who died Sept. 27,
1806. | Æt. 40.

Lie here my friend and take your rest
To call you home God thought it best.

He was b. Dec. 3, 1766, son of Benaiah and Betsey (Eames) Morse. Lived in Weston (Abner Morse's, Morse Gen., p. 25). The births of three of his children were recorded in Needham.

15. (Urn.)

In memory of | Ephraim Morse | Son of Cap. Benaiah Mor | who died |
July 9, 1804. | Æt. 4 years. se

In "Morse" the "se" is in smaller letters directly under "Mor."

16. (Willow and urn.)

Mrs | Sarah Morse | died | June 19, 1835, | $\text{\AA}$ Et. 72.

Not long ago she filled her place,
And sat with us below ;
But she has run her mortal race,
And Jesus bade her go.

She was a Stevens (A. Morse, p. 25.).

17. (Willow and urn.)

Charles Morse | died | Feb. 1, 1847, | $\text{\AA}$ Et. 55.

He was b. in Needham June 20, 1791, son of Capt. Benaiah and Sarah (Stevens) Morse. Charles Morse, perhaps this one, m. Lucy, who was b. May 25, 1792, dau. of Jesse and Martha (Brown) Winch. (Temple's Hist. of Fram.)

18. (Willow and urn.)

SARAH ELIZABETH | Daur. . of Charles & | Elizabeth Morse, | died
Aug. 18, 1843. | $\text{\AA}$ Et. 18 yrs.

She was b. in Weston March 23, 1825, where Charles and Elizabeth had nine children recorded, 1823-39.

19. (Willow and urn.)

ELIZABETH | wife of | Charles Morse, | died | Mar. 20, 1877, | $\text{\AA}$ Et. 76
yrs

20. (Cherub's head and wings.)

In memory of | Mrs Elizabeth Oliver | who died Decr. 14th 1791. | in the
70th year | of her age.

This is the earliest inscription in this graveyard.

21. (Willow.)

Erected | In memory of | Mr Enoch Train | who died Nov. 24, 1805 | $\text{\AA}$ Et 44.

Tho silent, yet replete with praise
This stone a grateful tribute pays,
To worth, & virtue long approved,
To honest merit, long beloved.

Probably the Enoch Train who was one of the West district school committee in Needham, 1805. He was b. Feb. 20, 1763, son of Samuel and Rachel (Allen) Train (Barry's Hist. of Fram. and Weston T. Rec.); m. May 5, 1791, Hannah Ewing; both of Weston. Hannah was the daughter of a Scotch chaplain in the British Army, it is said.

22. In | memory of | Harriot Train | Daughter of Enoch Train | & Hannah his wife ; died | Feb. 7 6, 1797 in y^e 4th year of her age.

In the Weston Records the birth of Harriet is recorded in one place, and in another that of Harriette, both May 20, 1793.

23. In | memory of | Enoch Train, | son of Enoch Train | & Hannah his wife ; | died Oct. 22, 1796 in | y^e 2^d year of his age.

He was b. Sept. 9, 1795 ; d. Oct. 22, 1796. (Weston T. Rec.)

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REPLIES.

1. HARDING-ALLEN. Is it possible that the Mary Allen who married Henry Harding in 1698 was the daughter of William Allen of Medfield, born in 1671 ?

2. FRENCH-ELLIS. There is much discussion as to who this Elizabeth French was, though many authorities call her the daughter of Lieut. William French of Billerica.

3. PAINE, or PAYNE. For the interesting account of the ancestry of the Paines of Dedham, see New Eng. Hist. Gen. Register (V., 331) for 1858, which gives the lives back to 1578.

F. A. H.

QUERY.

6. HIXON. Walter Hixon, of Stoughton, my ancestor, was born on June 15, 1705 ; and died in the service of the Province, in the expedition to Cuba ; married Mary [], according to Jameson's Medway. Who were his parents and what was the maiden name of his wife ?

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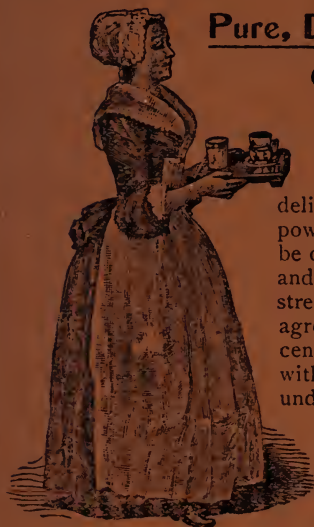
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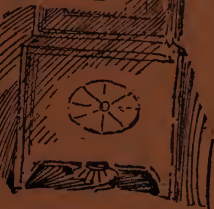
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THE PAUL HOMESTEAD IN DEDHAM.

BY EDWARD CRANE PAUL.

IT has been suggested that a glance at the history of this corner of old Dorchester, since it became the property in 1719 of one of the third generation by the name of Paul in this country, and a part of Dedham in 1739, may be of general interest. The suggestion has gained emphasis by the attention drawn to the many changes recently made on its site, and in the immediate vicinity.

In a deed to Samuel Paul, bearing date of December 17, 1719, now in possession of the writer, we note the following: John Nelson, of Boston, and Elizabeth Nelson, his wife, one of the executors and devisees named in the last will of the Hon. William Stoughton, convey to Samuel Paul for a consideration of 390 pounds in good current bills of credit. They state that the property is legally and rightfully descended unto grantors.¹ The estate comprised about 75 acres of upland and 25 acres of meadow and, as we see by the deed, was bounded on the southeast and northeast by the Neponset River, the westerly boundary line starting at a point 180 rods down the stream from the bridge "lately erected by the said

¹Long before 1700, the lands at Readville were a part of the extensive farm of Lieut Gov. William Stoughton. He was never married, and after his death, July 7, 1701, his large estate was divided for the most part between his four nephews and neices, his niece Elizabeth, wife of John Nelson, receiving the lands at Readville. [From article of Charles F. Jenney on "Paul's Bridge," REGISTER (I. 4) for October, 1890.]

Nelson" (afterwards called Paul's Bridge), and running to a heap of stones on the easterly side of Sprague Pond, there turning and running southeast to the river again.

Subsequently more than 100 acres of upland were added farther to the west, but the original westerly boundary line crossed the present Milton Street just east of the "Edson" house, as it is known to-day. Rights of way to the aforesaid bridge were given only to the grantors, their heirs and assigns, and Nathaniel Hubbard, Esq.

Captain Samuel Paul, the grantee in the deed, was a grandson of Richard Paul, of Taunton, and a prominent man in Dorchester. His name is found as one of a committee to divide up the common lands. He was also Town Clerk of Dorchester for eleven years, and the records show evidence of his ability. He resided farther down the Neponset valley, near the present location of Adams Street, and was a large land owner, the inventory of his estate after his death, in 1726, showing over 300 acres.

This Nelson farm was evidently bought for his two sons Samuel and Isaac (he never occupying it himself), for it is set off to them in the division of his estate, and one of them, at least, moved into the farm before his father's death, for we read that his son Samuel, in 1722, built a house, where the present one stands, which was one of the first to be erected in the vicinity,¹ and where for almost a century and a half five generations by the name of Paul resided. Isaac (joint owner with Samuel) erected another house on the opposite side of what is now Milton Street, at a little distance to the west, and at a later date, but previous to 1732. In 1735 he and his

¹A house occupied by Nathaniel Hubbard, Esq., who is given rights of way in the deed, standing near the "Sprague Farm" house of later days, and a house of Joseph Damman farther north, near the junction of Mother Brook and the Neponset River, were of earlier date, also possibly, a house on the Badlam farm, adjoining the Paul farm on the west. This information is from the writer of the article referred to in Mr. Jenney's paper.

brother divided the farm and occupied separately until 1743 when Isaac sold his part to his brother and moved to Stoughton.

The house built by Isaac is remembered by a few now residing in this vicinity. It stood with its back to the road, either because the travel at the early date of its erection, ran by a mere right of way in front of it, or that it was built facing the south regardless of the street. With the land around it, this dwelling was later owned and occupied by William Paul, a nephew of the builder, and after the death of William in 1791 as the result of a fall in his barn, was bought by his brother Ebenezer. It was kept in the family until it was torn down about 1844 by another Isaac Paul, a grandson of the brother of the builder.

We must now follow the fortunes of Samuel, the pioneer builder of 1722, left alone again with his rising family by the above mentioned removal of his brother Isaac to Stoughton in 1743. Samuel Paul married, January 24, 1723, Abigail Withington (great granddaughter of Elder Henry Withington, and of Philip Eliot a brother of John Eliot the apostle), of Dorchester, and here seven children were born to them. For more than twenty years after he came to the Nelson Farm no public road ran by the house. A few Indians in the neighborhood made much trouble under the influence of "strong water," and the children of Samuel were called into Court to testify. A deer was shot as late as 1770 upon a frosty morning on a rise of ground opposite the old house.

We find the brothers extending their possessions, for in 1736 they buy of "Jeams" Fales a tract of 33 acres, detached from the original farm and at a considerable distance to the west, called the sheep pasture. This included the present estates of David L. Davis and others. The lack of advantages in rearing their children must have been apparent to the brothers. Both Samuel and

Isaac Paul were among the petitioners in an extremely interesting document¹ asking to be annexed to Dedham on account of the difficulty in attending public worship at Dorchester village, seven miles away, and in using the schools of Dorchester, which being granted in 1739 their associations of church and schools were transferred to Dedham.

The house and farm next passed from Samuel to his son Ebenezer, born June 16, 1738, to whom, at the date of his marriage in 1770, his father gave a deed of an undivided half of his estate and at his father's death, five years later, he became his executor and finally owner of the whole farm. On May 24, 1770, Ebenezer married Abigail Talbot, of Stoughton, daughter of Peter Talbot, who commanded the Stoughton Company in the Lexington Alarm of April 19, 1775. Samuel Paul died in March, 1775, and the following month we see his son Ebenezer leaving home and his wife with two small children, and marching as a private in response to the sudden call to arms. Three years later in 1778, he is enrolled again in Capt. Abel Richards's Company, Col. McIntosh's regiment and served in Roxbury and Boston.

He combined very largely with farming the business of teaming. The carting of wood to Boston was a great business in those days. He carried large quantities of wood from "York," in Canton, to Boston with his team of two yoke of oxen, or one yoke of oxen and a span of horses, returning with lumber, household supplies, etc., taking two days for the trip.

On the night when the fortifications on Dorchester Heights were erected he was engaged with his team in hauling "facines" from a place near the Upper Mills, to

¹ The substantial parts of this paper may be found in an article by Mr. Jenney, on "Ancient Line between Dorchester and Dedham" [REGISTER, I., 1890], also a very instructive statement of the locations of the houses of the petitioners.

be used in the construction. It is said of him that the profits of his business must have been small, but by industry and economy he accumulated wealth, and eventually became the owner of not only the 100 acres bought of John Nelson, but also of the 33 acres called the sheep pasture before mentioned.

Ebenezer built an addition to the old house at the easterly end, where all his children were born. This addition was afterwards moved and made into a house for Edwin Macomber and is now standing in good condition on Milton Street, a short distance west of the railroad station at Readville. It suffered once from fire, but was thoroughly repaired and must now be the oldest house in the vicinity.

The soldier of the Revolution died in 1803, and his widow a few months later, leaving six children of whom the second, Isaac, born in 1774, inherited with his brother Phineas the house, the line between their portions running through the centre and land being set off to each on either side, and the other children the remaining portions of the farm.

Isaac Paul learned a carpenter's trade of Israel Fairbanks of Dedham. After becoming of age he returned to his father's, built a shop and worked at his trade, and on the farm. In 1806 he bought out the share of his brother Phineas in the old house and the land on the northerly side of Milton Street, and afterwards, as his means increased, purchased the shares of all the other heirs of his father Ebenezer. In 1815 he also bought 72 acres adjoining him on the west and southwest from Lawrence Sprague, carrying the western boundary of his land beyond the subsequent location of the Boston and Providence Railroad, a fortunate purchase for him, for in 1834, that railroad was put through his farm. He married Lydia, daughter of Jeremiah Tucker of Scott's Woods, Milton, in December 1811.

Probably between 1810 and 1812¹, he built the house now standing on the spot where the old one stood, a part of which was erected in 1722. Its spacious old fire places, three separate cellars for various uses, two large brick ovens, a store room for provisions and tremendous kitchen agreed with the free hospitality of the times, and were in keeping with the means of the owner later in life when he became well known as a representative of the class of independent, hale and hearty farmers, who as young men were mechanics, and acquired a competence later in life.

In August 1848, his two barns were burned, one being struck by lightning, and he built a new one, now standing, during the same year. He had no children and died in April 1852, and his widow survived him by only about two years. The most of his real estate passing by his will to nephews and neices, we find his nephew Ebenezer Paul occupying the farm in 1854, after the death of the widow of his uncle Isaac.

Ebenezer Paul, one of the fifth generation of the family name to own the homestead, was born in Dedham on November 26, 1819, on the "Thomas How" farm, the house of which stood on River Street opposite the present residence of Amos H. Brainard in Hyde Park. This farm his father, Samuel Paul (brother of the last named Isaac), had bought in 1816 having married Martha Crane, a daughter of Gen. Nathan Crane of Canton, in June of the same year. Here the father of Ebenezer died when the son was fourteen years of age and he carried on the farm with his mother for about twenty years. He married Susan Dresser, daughter of David and Hannah (Farnsworth) Dresser of Dedham, April 15, 1847.

Being able to dispose of the larger part of his share in his father's estate in 1854, he moved to the Nelson

¹The writer regrets that he has been unable to fix the year in which the present house was built, and if this article meets the eye of anyone who can supply the date, the information will be appreciated.



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farm the same year and for a short time carried it on for himself and the other heirs under the will of his uncle Isaac Paul. In 1854 they sold six acres to Horatio N. Slater for the Boston and New York Central Railroad Company. The profits of farming were not excessive in those days, but by a life of intense activity, combining with farming the business of teaming for the industries in the neighborhood, he was able to acquire most of the home acres by purchase from the other heirs. A sale of eight acres to the Boston and Providence Railroad Company in 1860, to be used for gravel, enabled him to clear all the encumbrance from the 100 acres so long owned by his ancestors, as well as the 72 acres on the westerly side, excepting that sold to the two railroads. It is interesting to note that a large part of the eight acres so dug out to the level of Sprague Pond has within two years been filled up again with gravel brought mostly from Sharon and is now covered by railroad tracks.

The old homestead now enjoyed its palmy days, until the larger portion of it was taken as a site for the well-known camps at Readville, during the Rebellion. The owner was one of the foremost and most progressive in agricultural pursuits in Norfolk County, and a leading man in all public matters relating to his section of the town. Although at a distance from the village, he, with his wife, a worthy representative of the noble women of our New England homes, took a deep interest in all the social, educational and religious interests of Dedham. In 1867 he sold the lands bought by his great great grandfather in 1719, moving to Endicott, a mile and a half nearer Dedham village, where his death occurred on March 17, 1898.

He was rewarded for the industry and energy shown in securing the farm at Readville by the rapid rise in values in that section before he sold it. His judgment as to the future increase in value of the lands at Endicott

proved to be correct, and after middle life he enjoyed ample means to improve his new and extensive estate, to which he added by the purchase of an adjoining farm.

Although denied by circumstances anything beyond a course of study in the common schools, he was a thorough believer in education, representing for a long time the Readville district on the school committee of Dedham, and his increased means were afterwards at the disposal of his children for the advanced education which he did not obtain. A partial loss of eyesight, as the result of an injury soon after his removal from Readville, confined his energies in a measure, to the lands at his new home, but in all matters, whether public or personal, he was known as a man of sterling integrity, and one of the substantial men of Dedham.

The land at Readville became a part of the new town of Hyde Park in 1863. The first troops arrived on the extensive field on the southerly side of Milton Street in July, 1861, and for four years the bustle of the arrival and departure of large bodies of men, by rail and on horseback, with all the accompanying events of camp life, were in strong contrast to the scenes of more than a century of husbandry at which we have glanced. The old home sheltered many of the officers who boarded there with their families. The writer remembers seeing the owner of the farm stand at the door of the barn and, with the commanding officer,¹ relieve the men of an artillery company of matches, etc., before they bunked on the hay mows, their tents, pitched just across the street, being flooded by a heavy rain. Extensive barracks for cavalry were erected opposite the house, and the rear of the large plain was used as a ground for cavalry drill.

¹This was the 11th Mass. Battery, commanded by Captain (now Major) Edward J. Jones, made major for gallant conduct at the assault on Fort Steadman. The Major may be found at his desk at 61 Court Street, Boston, still in active life, a member of the Suffolk Bar since 1861, ex-member of the Legislature, and now holding several public offices.

This portion was later presented to the Norfolk Agricultural Society by the Hon. J. S. Eldridge, and is now the property of the New England Trotting Horse Breeders Association. On this same field, over which regiments of horses charged in mimic warfare, the as yet unmatched Star Pointer two years ago electrified the assembled thousands by winning his battle with old Father Time. After the close of the war, a large number of permanent wooden buildings were erected, occupying most of the plain, water introduced into them, a system of sewers established, and a camp for convalescent soldiers maintained for two years or more. These pipes and drains were laid at no great depth, and thousands of loads of sand were carted upon this fertile field to protect them from frost. This part of the farm being thus rendered undesirable for agricultural pursuits, and a demand for land for building purposes arising in the vicinity, the owner sold the entire farm, as we have seen.

Very few old landmarks will greet the eye of the future historian of this part of Dorchester, Dedham and Hyde Park. In his annals of Dedham, Herman Mann speaks of the Avery Oak as a survivor of the old forest skirting the meadows and swamps near Wigwam Pond. So long ago, on this old Dorchester plain, the Neponset Meadows above "the bridge erected by Nelson," were bordered by an irregular line of oaks of great size, a few standing quite in the meadows. Several of these, cut during the boyhood of the writer, were giants of the forest, and proved to be of great age. Only one or two now remain, but they were landmarks for a very long time.

The fine elms dotting the old camp ground were set out on either side of an important road in olden times, leading from opposite the "Edson" house across the plain along the easterly side of Sprague Pond to the Sprague Farms and the road which came from the Milton

and Canton meadows across the Neponset River at "Swan's Bridge." One looks in vain for many of the permanent bounds on Sprague Pond but finds a freight yard covering the entire easterly portion after its division by the Boston and Providence Railroad. The fifty or sixty acres of the old farm cultivated by successive generations of husbandmen and later the site of the tent of the soldier, are now covered by modern dwellings and the trotting park.

The Metropolitan Park Commission has recently taken a tract adjoining the river out of the portion of the old homestead lying north of Milton Street for a park way, which will change that portion of the place also; and the State will probably take in the near future, a large tract of the meadows above Paul's bridge, about twenty acres of which were bought of John Nelson in 1719.

Not less marked than the changes thus made by the absorption of land for various uses, is the contrast shown in means for travel and traffic. At the beginning of our story the residents of the little hamlet journeyed on horseback in their brief visits to the outer world when called by necessity, or to the public Worship of God in the distant villages of Dorchester and Dedham. Later the farmer-patriot started with his ox team on his weary two days trip to Boston and return. Later still came the steam railroad and within two years we have seen the expenditure of millions of dollars by state, municipal and railroad authorities in improving facilities for travel and transportation by steam and electricity.

Will the next century show as great changes as the closing one has known? However the question is answered, one feeling is universal in reading of the changes in an old homestead like this, and that feeling is one of regret at the decline and passing of the farming industry in New England. The writer hopes to see prepared the history of other homesteads in this neighborhood from

which also all landmarks are rapidly being obliterated under the march of modern improvement. He has made free use of facts obtained by researches of Charles F. Jenney, Esq., an authority on all old lines and boundaries in this interesting section of "Low Plain."

THE SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS OF DEDHAM.

BY CARLOS SLAFTER.

(Continued from page 79.)

ELIZABETH HAWES ELLIS was an early and acceptable teacher in the Old Brick, now Balch, School, probably before 1840. She was the daughter of Jesse and Elizabeth (Hawes) Ellis, born in Medfield in 1816. She improved her opportunities in the district schools of Medfield and Sharon so as to qualify herself well for teaching in Sharon West, and Medfield Centre. In 1843, she was married to Albert Stone, and has resided in Belvidere and Elgin, Illinois, her present home being in the latter city, at 116 Cottage Street.

In the summer of 1840, Mary Jane Hawes, of Walpole, instructed the Clapboardtrees (now Fisher) School. She was the daughter of Luke and Ann (Crowe) Hawes, born in Boston, August 30, 1817. Her descent from Richard Hawes, who came to Dorchester in 1635, is in this line: Richard, Obediah, Richard, Stephen, Benjamin, Luke. Her father dying when she was about six years old, she was cared for and educated in the home of her uncle, the Hon. Joseph Hawes of Walpole. She probably taught in the Mill School of Dedham a few weeks in 1836, and later was teaching in Sharon three terms. In 1841 she married Edward Dexter Bent, of Dedham, where she lived a year; afterward she resided in Northboro and Worcester, then removed to Fitzwilliam, N. H., where she died August 7, 1854. Her interment was in Walpole, Mass.

The primary department of the First Middle School came under the care of Maria Fisher, October 14, 1844; and in the autumn of 1846 she took charge of the intermediate, and continued it till May 14, 1848, when she began to teach in Boston, remaining there till June 14, 1851. Before coming to Dedham she taught in Easton, 1843; and in Canton, 1844. On June 15, 1851, she was married to Edward William Davenport, of Mendon, and resided there till 1856, when she removed to the town of Lewis, Cass Co., Iowa. Earnestly solicited by the settlers of that new town, she opened a private school, and afterwards became the first public teacher there. Removing to Council Bluffs, in 1864, to supply a great want, she entered the public school as teacher for a year; afterwards taught private classes. In 1878 she became librarian of the Council Bluffs Public Library, resigning in 1894, but continuing a trustee. Mrs. Davenport was, from its organization in 1882, the president of the first Woman's Club, of Council Bluffs, till her return, in 1895, to Roxbury, Mass., her present home. She is the daughter of Alexander and Clarissa (Tucker) Fisher, born in Canton, December 6, 1826, and it is evident that her life has been full of efficient service for the communities in which her lot has been cast.

Lucretia Jane Guild, the daughter of Joel and Lucretia (Phipps) Guild, taught the South District School of South Dedham two summers, 1845 and 1846. She was born in South Dedham, September 27, 1825, and was a pupil in the private school of Mrs. Martha M. Guild, and later attended the Holliston Academy. In the autumn of 1846, she began to teach in Brookline, and continued there nearly five years, which ended her experience as a teacher. In 1854 April 19, she was married to John Newell Smith, of Walpole, where she still resides, her four children all living to contribute to her happiness.

The Westfield District School was under the instruction of Charles Grosvenor Goddard two winter terms of six months each, 1844-5, and 1845-6. He was the son of Asahel and

Elizabeth (Grosvenor) Goddard, born in Petersham, February 26, 1817; fitted for college at Monson Academy; graduated at Amherst College, 1841, and at East Windsor Theological Institute, 1849; was ordained at West Hartford, Ct., June 13, 1850; preached 1850 to 1853; was principal of the academy at East Windsor Hill, Ct., 1854 to 1856; and preached at West Hartford, Ct., 1856 to 1872. In 1850 he married Anna N., daughter of Isaac Palmer Gates, of Edwardsborough, C. W. Died at West Hartland, August 29, 1872. He was the last of the teachers employed by the Rev. Dr. Burgess, to give instruction in the higher studies, such as are generally pursued in Academies.

Amos Fletcher Spalding was master of the West Dedham School during the winter of 1846-7. He was the son of Amos and Mary (Warren) Spalding, born in Boston, January 12, 1821; prepared for college at an academy in Worcester; graduated from Brown University, 1847; from Newton Theological Seminary, 1850; ordained, 1851; pastor in Montreal, Ca., till 1852; in Cambridge till 1856; in Calais, Me., till 1860; then ten years in Warren, R. I. In October, 1862, he married in Brookline, Caroline Elizabeth Sanderson, and in 1872 removed to Norwich, Conn., and in 1876 to Needham, Mass., where he was pastor at the time of his death, which occurred suddenly at the Chelmsford depot, November 30, 1877.

The Clapboardtree School had three teachers by the name of Hemenway, two sons and a daughter of Windsor and Sophronica (Belknap) Hemenway, all born in Framingham, and educated at Framingham Academy:—Onslow Hemenway was born May 27, 1824, and graduated at Brown University; taught the Dedham School the winter of 1846-7; assisted in the New Bedford High School a few years; married Martha A. Shepherd, of New Bedford, December 16, 1850; became principal of Newton High School, and so continued till his death on April 22, 1855, leaving a widow, who is now, 1899, a teacher in New Bedford:—Clarissa Cordelia Hemenway was born Nov. 27, 1825; taught in Dedham the summer of 1849; was mar-

ried December 18, 1851, to Alden B. Marshall, of Hebron, Me.; and now, in 1899, resides in Newton:—Appleton Selwin Hem-enway was born February 12, 1831; taught in Dedham, 1851-2; taught in the Westboro Reform School six months; then was an assistant in the Rev. Samuel Worcester's private school in Baltimore, Md., about four years; married Mary Elizabeth Patton, of Baltimore, Feb. 5, 1856; soon returned to Framing-ham, where he has since resided, devoting himself to mechanical pursuits.

Martha Ann Parker, of Lexington, was mistress of the Readville School in the summer of 1850. She is the daughter of Isaac and Martha (Miller) Parker, and a descendant of Capt. John Parker, who commanded the minute-men on Lexington Common. She graduated at the Normal School in West New-ton in 1849, and taught two years in private schools in Penn., and two years in a Ladies' Seminary in Philadelphia. October 28, 1855, at the house of her uncle, Theodore Parker, in Boston, she was married by him to William Welsh Dingee, of Penn. She now resides in Racine, Wisconsin, where, for several years she edited "The Wisconsin Citizen," a paper published by the Wisconsin State Woman's Suffrage Association.

Something more than half the winter term of 1849-50, Albert W. Farnsworth taught the Westfield District School. He was the son of William and Catherine (Haskell) Farnsworth, born in Dedham, and graduated from the Bridgewater Normal School, December 1, 1847. He taught schools in Webster and Bridgewater; but soon engaged in other business in Lynnfield, Portland, Me., and Orange; then for several years was employed in Boylston Bank; and finally was teller in the National Bank of Malden. He was united in marriage to Emily E. Foster, at South Malden, now Everett, November 3, 1858; died in Malden, March 10, 1875.

One term of public and two of private primary school, in 1851 and 1852, in West Dedham, were taught acceptably by Jane Baker. She is the daughter of Aaron and Roxey (Whit-

ing) Baker, born in West Dedham, Feb. 24, 1822. She says "I have always lived in the same house in which I was born: am the last of the family living."

In the winter of 1851-2, the Westfield School was instructed by Charles Edward Briggs, who had entered Harvard in 1849 from the Boston Latin School. He was the son of Robert and Caroline (Morton) Briggs, born in Boston, April 6, 1833. He graduated in 1853, and received his medical degree in 1856. Became assistant surgeon of the 24th Mass. Regiment, Aug. 12, 1862, and surgeon of the 54th Mass. Volunteers, Nov. 24, 1862; was mustered out Aug. 20, 1865. He settled in St. Louis, Mo., the same year, and in 1869 was united in marriage to Rebekah Whittaker, of St. Louis. For many years Dr. Briggs was a member of Christ Church Cathedral Parish, of St. Louis, and in 1869 was appointed a professor in the St. Louis College of Physicians; later was connected with other institutions as lecturer and physician. He died June 17, 1894, at the Mass. General Hospital, leaving a widow, one daughter and three sons.

The Westfield Winter School, 1852-3, was taught by Phineas Allen, the son of Phineas and Ruth (Smith) Allen, of Medfield, born October 15, 1801. While preparing for college he taught in Sherborn and Northboro, walking to Cambridge from Northboro, 30 miles, to take examinations. After graduating at Harvard in 1825, he taught in Lowell, Brookline, Concord, Walpole, Scituate and Provincetown, also in the Allen School at West Newton from 1860 to 1885, never missing but three days of school on account of sickness, until 76 years of age. Regularity, faithfulness and great modesty characterized this representative pedagogue of the old type, whose entire aim was to impart knowledge. Himself an excellent linguist, he taught seven languages. In 1828 he married Clarissa Fisk and, dying in West Newton, May 25, 1885, left three sons and one daughter.

In 1852, the school in Mill Village came under the instruction of Charles Addison Richardson, who had previously taught in Montague over two years, and a winter term in South

Malden. He was the son of Elisha and Harriet (Blake) Richardson, of Franklin, born October 9, 1829. He attended the Franklin High School, Holliston Academy, Bridgewater and Westfield Normal Schools, and was also under the private instruction of the Rev. David Sanford, of Medway. He married Mary Jane Phipps, of Westfield, May 3, 1852. Leaving the Mill School in 1854, he was in the book trade with John P. Jewett two years; and on Jan. 2, 1856, entered the office of the Congregationalist, as proprietor of one-fourth of the paper, and managing editor. His success as a teacher was remarkable; and the prosperity of the Congregationalist, while under his direction, is ample proof of his editorial ability. He died Jan. 18, 1891.

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THE FISHER FAMILY.

BY PHILIP ADSIT FISHER.

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102. EDWARD⁸, youngest child of Joseph (66) and Mary (Everett) Fisher, was b. in Natick, Feb. 18, 1781; m. at Newton, Feb. 12, 1806, Mary, daughter of Nathaniel and Anna (Ward) Norcross, of Newton, who was b. there, April 11, 1784, and d. in Northboro, March 27, 1872. They lived at Newton Lower Falls, where he carried on a business as a wheelwright, and, prior to 1819, moved to Sudbury, where he continued his business at the old shop, South Sudbury, where his son, Charles, also followed the same trade until his death. Children were:—

MARY A.⁹, b. Sept. 15, 1806; m. Stephen W. Norcross.

EMILY⁹, b. Nov. 3, 1807; m. Joseph Richardson, April 5, 1829.

EDWARD⁹, b. Aug. 7, 1810; m. Nancy M. Tappan, at Brunswick, Me.

CHARLES⁹, b. July 22, 1814; m. Harriet Brown.

FANNY WARD⁹, b. Dec. 17, 1816; m. Hartwell Arnold.

JOSEPH⁹, b. Jan. 11, 1819.

MARTHA M.⁹, b. Nov. 21, 1823 : m. John A. Goodwin, of Lowell.

CAROLINE⁹, b. March 21, 1826 ; d. July 9, 1882, unm.

LYMAN⁹, b. Jan. 10, 1829 ; m, Sarah D. Conant.

103 JOEL⁸, oldest child of Daniel (71) and Abigail (Lewis) Fisher, was b. in Walpole, Jan. 5, 1795 ; m. at Medfield, April 15, 1818, Sally, daughter of William, Jr., and Sarah () Everett, who was b. in Dedham, March 2, 1793, and d. in Walpole, July 7, 1871. He was a farmer, res. in Walpole ; d. Aug. 12, 1851. They had :—

ACHSA⁹, b. March 8, 1820 : m. John R. Engley, of Walpole, March 19, 1839.

LOUISA⁹, b. March 19, 1823 : m. John P. Linfield, of Randolph, Sept. 18, 1841 ; she d. Jan. 29, 1871.

GEORGE⁹, b. Aug. 30, 1826 ; d. Sept. 29, 1846.

[*Infant*]⁹, b. Dec. 22, 1829 : d. Dec. 28, 1829.

[*Son*]⁹, b. Nov. 16, 1830 ; d. Oct. 20, 1830.

SARAH⁹, b. Sept. 13, 1834 ; d. Oct. 17, 1859.

104. ISAAC⁸, second child of Daniel (71) and Abigail (Lewis) Fisher, was b. in Walpole, Dec. 22, 1796 ; m. Dec. 18, 1822, Sibyl, daughter of William, Jr., and Sarah () Everett, who was b. in Dedham, Jan. 1, 1801, and d. in Walpole, Jan. 17, 1862. Isaac was a farmer in Walpole, where he d. Aug. 28, 1860. They had :

EVERETT⁹, b. June 5, 1826 ; d. in California in 1869.

DANIEL⁹, b. Nov. 30, 1829 ; d. Dec. 25, 1836.

CHARLES⁹, b. April 14, 1833 ; m. Sarah Cushing, May 23, 1866.

WILLIAM⁹, b. Feb. 27, 1837 ; m. Harriet B. Chickering, of Dover.

105. LEWIS⁸, sixth child of Daniel (71) and Abigail (Lewis) Fisher, who was b. in Walpole, Jan. 31, 1806 ; m. Oct. 31, 1838, Catherine Bassett, of Eden, Vt., who was b. Jan. 2, 1812. Lewis Fisher lived on the farm in Walpole that his grandfather, Daniel Fisher, owned ; “ was a farmer by occupation, paying, however, special attention to raising choice nursery stock, in which he was very skilful.” He d. there, in 1848 ; his widow res. on the homestead. Children were :—

MARTIN L.⁹, b. April 9, 1840; served in the cavalry in the Civil War, and d. in New York on his way home, from exposure, after ten or eleven months' service, Aug. 18, 1862.

SIMON EDWIN⁹, b. Aug. 28, 1843; m. Jennie M. Kelley, of Worcester, Mass.; res. Worcester.

NATHAN WARREN⁹, b. Feb. 9, 1846; m. 1st, Harriet C. Hill; m. 2d, Alma V. Winslow; res. Walpole.

LEWIS H.⁹, b. July 14, 1848; m. Ellen M. Ellis, Nov. 20, 1872; res. Walpole.

LAURA HARRIET (twin of above), b. July 14, 1848; res. Worcester.

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EXTRACTS FROM THE AMES DIARY.

BY EDNA FRANCES CALDER.

(*Continued from page 82.*)

AUGUST, 1800.

1. Calv Gay arriv'd.
5. Mowing Walley's meadow.
6. All hands engag'd haying none to be hired.
7. Got 2 cocks of Oats fodder Walley's costs 6 doll.
9. Much rain west'd. Much hay wet.
10. Plenteous rain.
11. Got in 2 horse Cart loads hay. Jem: Jos Richards, Jonathan Ware, Howe's Boy near a day—Pliny Fales loading. F. A's cart & oxen get my hay.
15. Finish'd hay got barnfull.
17. Nathl Farrington buried.
21. Extract Rocks with patent machine.
23. Sam Bates buried. Innoc^d peaches & apples Pear buds now do not peal so as fit to inoculate, but same 1st Sept. peal very well & set Bon Chretien.
27. Ch Holt sends on the Bee, reviv'd this day, arrives 29th Calv. Whiting's child died. Canker. Whiting unaccountably employed a Quack.
29. N. Kingsberry took number my family, under Marshal. Peaches sold at 3^d Bushel, & higher by retail 1 S pr doz.
31. Pole beans planted 26 June, now a fine resource, after others are done.

A general grumbling of the Great Sovereign against its agents attempting to veil stupify & then bleed it to fainting, instead of helping to feed, arm & invigorate & enlighten it !!!

SEPTEMBER.

3. J. Weatherby blowing rocks.
34 hours passage from N. York to Boston by Capt. Potter.
6. Mr. Walley & Ferol din'd here.
10. Market in Dedham opened.
11. Angina maligna rages.
12. Mr. Ferol lodges here on way to New York.

13. Jos. Howe so good, so kind, sympathy, fails, no trust in man.
15. By Sheriff's mistake Reed reimprison'd.
Lucy Draper died of Angina.
16. Throat distemper mortal to 6 children give much alarm to Parents it is without the rash some dozy some days some taken with Diarrhea then swelled glands of the Throat & ulceration of fauces seems like Erisipelas in the throat.
21. hot again as summer.
23. first parlour fire. cold drizzly.
30. Sessions & C. P.

It is an important object to have horses shoes rightly set & moved, for often by the shoe pressure in the heel then upon hard travelling the compressed soft parts within the hoof inflame & suppurate unknown to common shoers, but an intelligent Farrier lately removed the lameness by cutting thro' near the frog letting out the pus, & setting the shoe very even, so as not to press all on the heel, as common.

OCTOBER.

3. Mary Clap & John Berry died of Cynanche.
6. Ruth Wilkinson began. Jem Fadden going off sudden.
12. Berry's other child died. Kill. not by me.
15. Mrs. Bissel set off for Fairlee, left Sybil.
16. Abijah Draper's term of 3 years ends.
Took kine pox matter from P. Gay to inoculate.
19. Inoculated L. Parsons & Sam Gay Kine pox, which in six days works like small pox. headache, soreness of axilla, inflamed arm, &c: & prevents taking small pox. I have full faith.
22. War^t on Compt. Sam Gault vs. Nat White & Charles Nutting.
24. Snow in Vermont. L'd Wood my Lot, Capt. Stow bro't.
26. Sam Gay's cow pox works right, arm inflamed, soreness of axilla, &c.
31. Dr. Tudor of Orford, N. H. bro't Letter for B. Bissel, got kine pox matter. The people are yet infidels in the Blessing of Cow pox, or kine pox they cannot yet realize the security against Small pox.

The Essays sign'd a Republican (ascribed to Cha^s Pinkney) especially Nos 5 & 6 exceed anything I have seen against the Sedition Act! & ought to be put in every man's hands.

NOVEMBER.

3. Eustis—2—chose Rep. 7th Congr.
4. Ld Wood my Lot. Capt. Stow.
5. Rumors of Peace in Europe & that our Envoys Ellworth Davie & Murray have settled a new Treaty with France.
6. Abijah Draper seeking place. Visits Canton & Quincy.
7. Paid Ruth Wilkinson for month past to this day. She went home
8. Ld wood T. Gay bro't with my broken Horse cart behind broke by Jem's carelessness.
9. Ruth came again.
11. Edw Fisk promises to pay Rounvill's note in Week.
First snow goes off in morning.
16. Hervey Fales died Throat distemper. Jem went Canton.
17. Geese & Brants fly S. all night in vast numbers.
19. Jem return'd from Canton. Rec'd 1 Vol. Sup. Encyclop^a 6 dol.
Went Crawley's.
20. Wid of Steph Fales died.
21. Here comes the storm that drove the Geese 17th a cold snow.
22. p^d 6^d for 1 Vol. Encyc. p^r L. Gay, he took 10 dol. Biss—
23. C F died having lately drank vast quantity Brandy. Iain 5
ours stupid, never was well after seiz'd bilious fever.

(To be continued.)

EPITAPHS FROM THE OLD BURYING GROUND, WEST MEDWAY.

COPIED BY HERBERT N. HIXON.

(Continued from page 91.)

201. In Memory of Nathaniel Cutlars two sons who died March ye 10th. Nathaniel Cutlar who died March ye 10 1734.

Jacob Cutlar

202. Lydia Cutlar deceased the 16th of August 1784 in the 36 year of her age.

203. In Memory of Mr Elisha Cutlar who died 28 of March 1806. Æt 68.

A tender husband and a parent kind
Is gone we hope where happy souls are joyned
to sing the wonderous love
in the bright realms of perfect rest above
When the archangel calls ye dead arise
death will no longer close our sealed eyes.

204. In memory of Miss Mary Cutler who died Augst ye 16th 1799 in the 40th year of her age.

My honored parents are you well
My Jesus doth me call
I leave you here with God
To meet you once for all.

205. In memory of the sons of Mr Elisha Cutler & Mary his wife who died Sept 14, 1759 Aged 23 Days.

206. In Memory of Mary w^d of Mr Elisha Cutlar who died 25 Decr 1806. Æt. 66.

Nothing could death this happy pair divide
Serene she slumbers by her partners side
Let faith converse with her on yonder shore,
Where sin and sorrow can invade no more
May all her friends to follow her prepare
Where Christ has told us many mansions are.

207. Erected to the memory of Mr. Calvin Fairbanks Son of John Fairbanks Esq of Holliston died Aug 12. 1825 Æt 34 years.

The memory of the just
Shall flourish
When they sleep in dust.

208. In memory of Mr Amory Fairbanks who died April 24th 1814 In his 23rd year.

In early life I'm called to go
My work on earth is done
With joy I'll part with all below
In Christ my heavenly home.

209. Erected to the memory of Mrs Mary Fairbanks Consort of Mr Joseph Fairbanks who died Oct 4th 1825 Æt 61 yrs.

Decay ye tenements of dust
 Pillars of earthly pride decay
 A noble mansion waits the just
 And Jesus has prepared the way.

210. In memory of Mr Joseph Fairbanks who died Jan 5. 1835 Æt 74.

Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord.

211. Grace wife of John Fairbanks of Holliston formerly wife of Joseph Fairbanks And formerly wife of Edward Burt of Northampton, Born July 26, 1775 Died June 1. 1861.

212. Mrs Susanna wife of Mr Peter Lewett died Dec. 20, 1831. Æt 74.

213. In memory of Mr Peter Liwett who died Oct 9, 1821 Aged 66 years.

214. Elizabeth Lewet daughter of William & Nancy Jane Richards died Nov. 12 1848 Æ 3 years 10 mo & 6 ds.

Beautiful flower of the fragrant spring
 Too precious for earths barren clay
 An angel hath borne thee away on his wings
 To the garden of God undified.

215. William Henry son of William and Nancy J. Richards died March 27, 1836 Aged 16 weeks.

216. John Richards Died March 20 1844 Aged 6 years.

217. In memory of Eliza Curtis who died Octob^r 19 1821 Aged 2 years And 4 months.

Daughter of Mr Joseph & Mrs Anne Curtis.

218. Willard P. son of Mr Horace & Mrs Hepzibah A Hill died Dec 31, 1832 Æt 6 years 2 mo. & 15 days.

Mysterious are the works of God,
 And thy ways past finding out.
 In haste I leave my earthly friends
 To mourn and ponder out the change.

219. In memory of Mrs Hepzibah A Hill wife of Mr Horace Hill who Died May 23 1828 Aged 29 yrs.

O Youth, whenever thou visitest this spot,
 pause a moment. listen to the voice of one
 from the grave, remember thou art liable
 to disease and death; consider thy ways
 know thyself and prepare to meet thy God.

220. In memory of Alfred Son of Mr Horace & Mrs Hepsibah A Hill died Oct 18, 1825 Æt 4 mo & 14 days.

A pleasant babe a morning flower
 Cut down and withered in an hour.

221. In memory of Mr Timothy Hill who died Nov. 28. 1812 in the 72 year of his age.

222. In memory of Mrs Mary Hill wife of Mr. Timothy Hill who departed this life Feb. 17th 1825 Æt. 78 yrs.

Reader stand still and drop a tear
Over the dust that slumbers here;
And when you read the state of me
Think on the glass that runs for thee.

223. In memory of Mrs Jerusha wife of Capt. Simeon Partridge who died March 23. 1834 Æt 70.

There is a hope beyond the grave
Which soothes the troubled mind
For Jesus has attonement made
And ransomed all mankind.

224. In memory of Capt Simeon Partridge who died Jan 9. 1832 in the 72 year of his age.

When our pilgrimage is o'er
With all its cares and all its pains
We have a home forever more
Where peace and hapiness ever reigns.

225. In memory of Lyman W. Partridge son of Mr Elihu & Mrs Charlotte Partridge who died April 18. 1812 Aged 5 months.

Happy the babe who privilaged thus by fate
To shorter labor and a lighter weight
Received but yesterday the gift of breath
Ordered tomorrow to return to death.

226. In memory of Lyman son of Capt Simeon & Mrs Jerusha Partridge who died Aug 12. 1805 Æt 20.

In thy fair book of life devine
My God inscribe my name
There let it fill some humble place
Beneath the slaughtered lamb.

227. In memory of Mrs Charlotte wife of Mr. Elihu Partridge, who died March 2. 1833 Æt 45.

To heaven let us raise our mind,
Peace is there for all mankind,
There will God's elect be found
Persueing joy eternal round.

228. Mr. James Gibbs died Aug 21. 1807 Æt 49 Mrs Charity his wife died July 27. 1811 Æt 43.

229. Mr Gilbert Clark died March 28 1824 in his 44 year.

The highest object of his ambition in this world
was to acquire the reputation of an Honest Man.

230. In memory of Mrs Sally Clark wife of Mr Gilbert Clark. Obit. Jan. 26. 1818. Æt. 33 Years.

Also Elizabeth Obit May 13, 1817 Aged 9 Months and Sally Obit Feb. 10. 1818 Æt. 7 weeks.

Children of the above
Whate'er thy lot whoe'er thou be
Confess thy folly kiss the rod
And in the chastening sorrow see
The hand of God.

231. Mrs. Patience third wife of Mr Gilbert Clark, died Sept. 8. 1834 Aged 37 years.

She is freed from sorrow and pain
We trust with her Saviour to reign.

232. In memory of Mrs Sally Walker Wife of Mr Samuel T. Walker who died Nov. 9 1815 Æt. 26 years.

Early in life I'm called to go,
My work on earth is done;
With joy I part with all below;
For Christ my heavenly home
Farewell my friends & partner dear
I've left this world of pain;
May virtue be your practice here
Till we do meet again.

233. Erected in memory of Mr Amos T. Hixon son of Mr. Asa Hixon who died Oct 25, 1815 Aged 23 years.

The sweet remembrance of the just
Shall flourish when he's laid in dust.

234. In Memory of Mrs Polly Hixon wife of Mr Asa Hixon who died October 15. 1821 Aged 54 years.

235. Asa Hixon Died March 18. 1852 Aged 84 years.

236. Mr Leonard Fisher Died Nov. 15. 1841 Æt 75. Prepare to meet thy God.

237. Mrs Betsey W. wife of Mr Leonard Fisher died Dec 30 1836 Aged 63 years.

Dear Saviour I thy call obey
Resign to dust this cumberous clay
With sight renewed with joy I'll view
And feast upon thy glories too.

238. In memory of Mr Martin W. Fisher who died Jan 14. 1821 Aged 21 years.

239. Amariah Force died Aug. 8. 1847 Aged 89.

Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord.

Keziah Force died May 12. 1846. Aged 78.

240. In memory of Miss Amellia Force daughter of Mr Amariah & Mrs Kezia Force who died Jan 20 1816. In her 21 year.

Beneath these clods in silent sleep
Behold her body lies
Surviving friends forbear to weep
For virtue never dies.

241. Lucinda Force Died Jan 6. 1848 Aged 50.

Let not for her our tears be shed
For blessed are the holy dead
Ah weep for those that still remain
Subject to sorrow sin and pain.

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BIRTHS IN STOUGHTONHAM (NOW SHARON).

BY WILLIAM R. MANN.

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- Willard Alden Estey, son of Willard G. and Mary S., Oct. 6, 1851.
[] Holmes, son of Fisher and Margaret, March 16, 1851.
Luther Francis Smith, son of Luther and Adeline, Nov. 27, 1851.
Sarah Clasby, dau. of Stephen and Bridget, Aug. 10, 1851.
Benjamin Dexter Bullard, son of Benjamin and Mary D., (Plymouth),
Aug. 9, 1827.
Benjamin Dexter Bullard, son of Benjamin and Mary D., (Plymouth),
Jan. 6, 1830.
Mary Jane Bullard, dau. of Benjamin and Mary D., (Plymouth), Feb.
2, 1832.
Joseph Holmes Bullard, son of Benjamin and Mary D., (Plymouth),
Feb. 10, 1835.
Edner Frances Johnson, dau. of Otis and Edner (Hill), (Boston), Nov.
1, 1824.
Mary Elizabeth Johnson, dau. of Otis and Edner (Hill), Jan. 30, 1827.
Otis Warren Johnson, son of Otis and Mary M. (Kent), April 8, 1831.
Edgar William Davis Johnson, son of Otis and Mary M. (Kent), Jan.
16, 1833.
Sarah Louise Johnson, dau. of Otis and Mary M. (Kent), April 24, 1836.
George Franklin Johnson, son of Otis and Martha, Oct. 28, 1838.
Henry Harrison Johnson, son of Otis and Martha, April 20, 1840.
Georgiana Josephine Hinckley Johnson, dau. of Otis and Martha,
May 2, 1842.
[] Holmes, son of Fisher and Margaret, Jan. 4, 1852.
Charles Sumner Gay, son of George W. and Eunice L., Jan. 8, 1852.
Martha Cobb, dau. of Nathan and Hannah C., Jan. 25, 1852.
Albert Orlando Snow, son of Jerome B. and Naoma, Feb. 13, 1852.
James McManus, son of Patrick and Bridget, July 21, 1852.
Edgar Everett Tisdale, son of Ebenezer and Nancy, (N. Bridgewater),
Nov. 11, 1848.
Isabella Dora Tisdale, dau. of Ebenezer and Nancy, May 3, 1852.
Daniel Webster Stevens, son of Charles and Abigail A., Nov. 9, 1852.
Clara Louisa Estey, dau. of Willard G. and Mary, Oct. 6, 1852.
Ida Ford Kingman, dau. of Damon and Esther B., Aug. 4, 1852.
Charles Otis Hitchcock, son of William H. and Adelaide, Sept. 17,
1852.
Eugene Herbert Thompson, son of Thomas F. and Lucinda, Aug. 21,
1852.
Mary Elizabeth Ray, dau. of Patrick and Margaret, Nov. 27, 1852.
Isabella Johnson, dau. of Lucas and Maria, Oct. 19, 1852.
Frank Joy Richards, son of Elon and Sabina, July 24, 1852.

- Emma A. Baker, dau. of P. Howard and Cynthia, May 19, 1852.
Elmer Rufus Curtis, son of Rufus and Louisa, July 19, 1852.
George Herbert Fairbank, son of Benjamin A. and Eliza, July 20, 1852.
Rouns ville Williams, son of Rouns ville and Lydia H., July 8, 1851.
Josephine Fales King, dau. of William B. and Angeline (Howard),
March 21, 1852.
George Benjamin King, son of William B. and Angeline, Feb. 18, 1846.
Harriet Amelia Snow, dau. of Russell C. and Amelia, April 12, 1852.
Elizabeth Snow, dau. of Dwight M. and Betsey, Aug. 6, 1851.
Sarah Emma Talbot, dau. of Warren and Hannah, Nov. 24, 1852.
Laura Jane Talbot, dau. of Solomon and Emily, June 16, 1852.
Esrom Morse, son of Willard and Eliza (Glover), April 25, 1828.
Willard Morse, son of Willard and Eliza, June 16, 1829.
Eliza Morse, dau. of Willard and Eliza, Oct. 11, 1830.
Bushrod Morse, son of Willard and Eliza, May 24, 1832.
Gilford Morse, son of Willard and Eliza, Jan. 5, 1836.
Elijah Glover Morse, son of Willard and Eliza, May 6, 1838.
Warren Thomas Morse, son of Willard and Eliza, July 4, 1846.
Mary Louisa Smith, dau. of Edward L. and Polly, June 5, 1852.
Mary Emeline Drake, dau. of George W. and Diana B., Jan. 1, 1853.
Francis Henry Hewins, son of Henry and Eunice R., April 20, 1851.
Edna Rebecca Johnson, dau. of Addison H. and H. Rebecca, June
24, 1853.
Edward McCanna, son of John and Margaret, Sept. 12, 1852.
Melvin Tilden Estey, son of Jeremiah and Mary Frances, Aug. 1, 1853.
Andrew and Elizabeth McMillen, twins, children of Andrew and
Maria, Sept. 26, 1853.
Thomas Cain, son of William and Alice, Oct. 30, 1853.
Emma Jane Richards, dau. of Lewis and Anna L., April 30, 1853.
Sarah Antonet Park, dau. of Augusta Park, Dec. 6, 1853.
Joseph Keyes, son of John and Hannah, Oct. 1, 1853.
Charles Willard Wright, son of Lucius and Leathe L., Dec. 30, 1853.
Samuel Harvey Bacon, son of Dr. Amasa D. and Clara T., May 19,
1853.
Hannah Cohen, dau. of Cornelius and Ellen, April 24, 1853.
Harriet Amelia Tisdale, dau. of Abijah and Harriet, Jan. 14, 1853.
Clinton Howard Lathrop, son of H. Augustus and Susan I., April 25,
1853.
Ella Maria Talbot, dau. of Charles and Clarissa, Aug. 17, 1853.
Lydia Morilla Wiswell, dau. of John and Emily N., Aug. 19, 1853.
Henry Morris Briggs, son of William M. and Elizabeth, Dec. 5, 1852.
Emily Maria Lyons, dau. of Nathaniel and Sybel, Dec. 24, 1853.
Grace Simmons Trescott, dau. of William and Maria, Feb. 21, 1853.
Erving Webster White, son of Davis L. and Martha, June 29, 1853.
Susan Adelaide Bullard, dau. of Lewis C. and Susan, July 2, 1853.
Joseph Edward Jennings, son of Lewis A. and Nancy, Aug. 26, 1854.

Delia Frances Jennings, dau. of Lewis A. and Nancy, July 10, 1852.
Charles Ellis Jennings, son of Lewis A. and Nancy, Jan. 13, 1850.
Hannah Elizabeth Fuller, dau. of Samuel Gould and Elizabeth, July 31, 1850.

Edward Jarvis Fuller, son of Samuel Gould and Elizabeth, Jan. 30, 1854.

Albert Hewins Monk, son of Ziba and Matilda, Dec. 9, 1851.

Eunice Monk, dau. of Ziba and Matilda, Nov. 9, 1853.

Frederic Chandler, son of Samuel H. and Sarah H., May 29, 1854.

Helen Maria Gouch, dau. of Samuel and Elizabeth, Nov. 7, 1852.

Caroline Augusta Gouch, dau. of Samuel and Elizabeth, Nov. 9, 1854.

Esther Bates Kingman, dau. of Damon and Esther B., Jan. 20, 1854.

Mary Abigail Vinal, dau. of Nathaniel H. Jr., and Mary Elizabeth, March 5, 1854.

Ella Augusta Blake, dau. of Joseph C. and Sarah, Feb. 22, 1853.

Emily Ann Gay, dau. of Jabez K. and Mary D., March 30, 1854.

Edner Dora Dunakin, dau. of Edwin A. and Lucinda C., April 8, 1854.

Rebecca Jane Carpenter, dau. of Henry and Ruth H., April 26, 1854.

Julia Emma Estey, dau. of Willard G. and Mary, July 29, 1854.

Frank Shepherd Briggs, son of William M. and Elizabeth, Oct. 12, 1854.

Hannah Dorgan, dau. of Dennis and Bridget, Aug. 23, 1854.

Emma Crolin Hardy, dau. of Normal and Emeline, March 23, 1854.

John Williams McCana, son of John and Margaret, Oct. 14, 1854.

Catherine Ellen Ray, dau. of Patrick and Margaret, Nov. 22, 1854.

William Henry Spaulding, son of Nelson O. and Hannah E., Nov. 5, 1854.

Carrie Elizabeth Lothrop, dau. of H. Augustus and Susan I., Nov. 22, 1854.

Orlando Sumner Richards, son of Ephraim and Caroline, May 11, 1854.

Emma Augusta Hixon, dau. of George H. and Sarah (Smith), May 6, 1854.

James Gray Davenport, son of Silas and Josephine (Smith), Sept. 10, 1854.

James Granville Richards, son of George and Sarah A., July 17, 1854.

Dennis Haley, son of Daniel and Ellen, May 16, 1854.

Mary Ann Galigher, dau. of Daniel and Julia, March 14, 1854.

Miles Fay, son of Miles and Catherine, May 9, 1854.

Mary Ann Maguire, dau. of John and Catherine, Providence, R. I., April 17, 1854.

Arabella Lovina Davis, dau. of Alanson and Amanda L., July 10, 1854.

Frank Sidney Winship, son of Charles and Adeliza, July 14, 1854.

Emma Frances Bisbee, dau. of Benjamin F. and Clarissa, July 11, 1854.

Ellen Jane Maguire, dau. of Edward and Margaret, Oct. 1, 1854.

Edward Cecil Barrett, son of R. Cecil and Catherine H., July 30, 1854.

George Frank Leonard, son of Benjamin S. and Esther L., Sept. 2, 1854.

- Llewellyn Foster, son of James L. R. and Mary J., Jan. 23, 1854.
Emma Eliza Talbot, dau. of Solomon and Emily, Sept. 21, 1854.
Marcena Sophia Weld, dau. of Horace O. and Nancy M., Nov. 9, 1848.
Harriet Augusta Clapp, dau. of Samuel H. and Harriet M., April 6, 1854.
Charles Elbert Howard, son of Charles F. and Susan J., Sept. 21, 1854.
Elmer Howard Baker, son of P. Howard and Cynthia, Jan. 29, 1855.
Henry Addison Johnson, son of Addison H. and H. Rebecca, Feb. 7, 1855.
George Waldo Richards, son of Edwin and Rebecca (Sumner), March 8, 1855.
[] Blackman, son of Eben. H. and Abigail, Jan. 6, 1855.
Edward Abbot Gay, son of George W. and Eunice L., July 29, 1855.
Henry Topliff Phipps, son of Elbridge M. and Mary F., Sept. 8, 1855.
Alvin Willard Billings, son of Lewis and Nancy A., Sept. 13, 1855.
Bernard Galligher, son of Daniel and Julia, Dec. 7, 1855.
Adriana Snow, dau. of Samuel N. and Angeline, April 5, 1855.
Clarence Augustus Morse, son of Chester E. and L. Ida, Jan. 6, 1855.
[] Tisdale, dau. of Abijah and Harriet, Nov. 22, 1855.
John William Ronksley, son of William and Jane, (Winsted, Conn.), May 4, 1854.
Ellen Ronksley, dau. of William and Jane, (England), Feb. 28, 1846.
Josephine Morse, dau. of Joseph W. and Mary P., Dec. 29, 1854.
Loring B. Tisdale, son of Ebenezer and Nancy, Sept. 18, 1854.
Frederic Arthur Bacon, son of Amasa D. and Clara T., Oct. 19, 1855.
Edwin Clay White, son of Davis L. and Martha, May 12, 1855.
Helen Curtis Mills, dau. of William C. and Sarah E. (Mann), Prov., R. I., Oct. 15, 1854.
Lizzie Maria Cobb, dau. of Warren and Laura, April 14, 1855.
Julia Smith Macomber, dau. of John and Mary, March 3, 1855.
Calvin Willard Claflin, son of Willard G. and Martha A., July 30, 1855.
Josephine Cobb, dau. of Nathan and Hannah C., Jan. 16, 1855.
[] Foster, son of James L. R. and Mary J., Nov. 29, 1855.
Andrew Josiah Drake, son of George W. and Diana, April 4, 1855.
Reuben Henry Trescott, son of William and Maria, June 27, 1855.
Warren Gannett, son of Benjamin and Martha Jane, Sept. 21, 1855.
James McMullen, son of Andrew and Maria, May 8, 1855.
Dennis Lary, son of John and Elizabeth, December 21, 1855.
George Edwin Clarke, son of Edwin R. and Matilda, Jan. 25, 1854.
Johannah Barton, dau. of Martin and Hannah, July 7, 1855.
Margaret Cain, dau. of William and Alice, Oct. 28, 1855.
William Arthur Smith, son of William F. and Mary, Dec. 23, 1855.
Margaret Smith, dau. of John and Margaret, May 1, 1855.
Orlando Travis Tolman, son of Reuben and Marilla, Aug. 10, 1850.
Adelaide Sumner Tolman, dau. of Reuben and Marilla, Nov. 7, 1854.
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EDITED BY DON GLEASON HILL, ESQ.

A new volume has just been published by Mr. Hill, the fifth of the early records of the town. It covers the years 1672-1706, and comprises "book five" of the original records. It contains over 400 pages, and is a valuable addition to the series. Only those who have copied and published old records can appreciate the amount of time and labor required to satisfactorily complete such a work.

For nearly fifteen years Mr. Hill, as town clerk and editor, has devoted himself with commendable zeal to publishing the early records. In the town report issued in February, 1885, Mr. Hill "called the attention of the town to the importance of printing its records, and recommended that a small appropriation be made each year for that purpose, to the end that eventually the whole of its records might be reproduced in print. The subject was brought before the town at the April meeting, 1885, and an appropriation was made for the purpose of printing the records of births, marriages and deaths, under the direction of the town clerk. An additional appropriation was made at the April meeting, 1886." From time to time since then the town has generously appropriated the needed money. Eight volumes, including three of the modern records, have been published as follows:—

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Baptisms, Marriages and Deaths, 1638-1845, Vol. II.

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Alphabetical Abstract of Births, 1844-1890. Vol. I.

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QUERY.

10. I desire to obtain the record of the families of Barachiah Lewis (REG. V. 12, 13), b. Oct. 28, 1710, and Paul Lewis (V. 11) b. Feb. 19, 1760. Who was Hezekiah Lewis, b. in Watertown, who was of Pembroke N. H., and whose widow was of Dedham?

GEORGE H. LEWIS.

Correction : page 83 (under "Ebenezer"), change 1837 to 1847.

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